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# REPORT

OF THE

## Receipts and Expenditures

OF THE

## Town of Middleton

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1931



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**In Memoriam**

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CHARLES WALLACE HUTCHINSON

Born November 29, 1862

Died March 14, 1931

A respected citizen and holder of many  
Public Offices of Trust

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**Tax Collector**

Henry A. Young Term expires March, 1932

**Tree Warden**

B. McGlaulin Term expires March, 1932

**Moth Superintendent**

B. McGlaulin Term expires January, 1932

**Constable**

William H. Young Term expires March, 1932

**Chief of Police**

William H. Young Term expires May, 1932

**Superintendent of Burial**

Arthur M. Peabody Term expires March, 1932

**Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering**

Lyman S. Wilkins Term expires March, 1932

**Town Accountant**

Elmer O. Campbell Term expires May, 1933

**Forest Fire Warden**

Leon N. Soper Term expires January, 1932

**Chief of Fire Department**

Leon N. Soper Term expires May, 1932

**Sealer of Weights and Measures**

Wm. H. Young Term expires May, 1932

**Electric Light Commissioners**

A. L. Jones, Chairman Term expires March, 1934

Richard B. Floyd, Clerk Term expires March, 1933

Otto Currier Term expires March, 1932

**Electric Light Manager**

A. B. Harrington Term expires April, 1932

**Water Commissioners**

Leon Soper	Term expires March, 1932
Walter Paine	Term expires March, 1933
Roger F. Clapp	Term expires March, 1934

**Trustees Flint Public Library**

George E. Barnaby	Term expires March, 1932
William R. Godfrey	Term expires March, 1932
Henry A. Young	Term expires March, 1933
Leon Soper	Term expires March, 1933
Harley M. Tyler	Term expires March, 1934
Roger F. Clapp	Term expires March, 1934

**Cemetery Commissioners**

George E. Barnaby, Clerk	Term expires March, 1934
J. Allen Atwood, Chairman	Term expires March, 1932
Arthur Peabody	Term expires March, 1933

**Finance Committee**

W. P. Early, Chairman	Term expires March, 1932
Wm. G. Turnbull, Clerk	Term expires March, 1934
E. C. Townsend	Term expires March, 1933
Arthur T. Page	Term expires March, 1933
Hazen M. Richardson	Term expires March, 1934

**Registrars of Voters**

L. G. Davis	Term expires March, 1932
L. H. Crossman	Term expires March, 1933
W. P. Early	Term expires March, 1934

**Town Counsel**

William H. McSweeney	Term expires April, 1932
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**TRUSTEES****B. F. Emerson Fund**

Naumkeag Trust Company, Salem, Massachusetts

**Mansfield Fund**

Old Colony Trust Company, Boston, Mass.

**David Cummings Fund**

Board of Public Welfare



## ANALYSIS SHEET

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## ANALYSIS SHEET

	March Appropriation	Receipts	Special Appropriation	Transfer from Exc. & Defl.	Total	Expended	Transfer to Excess and Deficiency	Transfer to Departments
Highways	\$3,750.00	\$3,000.00	.	\$205.53	\$6,955.53	\$6,955.53	\$39.35	.
Sidewalks	200.00	.	.	.	200.00	160.65	2.15	.
Chapter 90 Special	1,695.70	2,500.00	.	.	4,195.70	4,193.55	.	.
Peabody Street	700.00	.	.	2.45	702.45	702.45	.	.
Gregory Street	200.00	.	.	.	200.00	200.00	.	.
Snow Removal	1,300.00	.	.	125.75	1,425.75	1,425.75	.	.
Fencing	300.00	.	.	49.00	349.00	349.00	.	.
Bridge	300.00	.	250.00	31.81	581.16	581.16	.	.
Tree Warden	200.00	.	.	.05	200.05	200.05	.	.
Moth Department	945.00	.	.	.	945.00	944.97	.03	.
House Fires	350.00	.	100.00	275.96	725.96	725.96	.	.
Forest Fires	700.00	.	500.00	23.41	1,223.41	1,223.41	.	.
Fire Hose	300.00	.	.	.	300.00	285.00	15.00	.
Fire Chief	15.00	.	.	.	15.00	15.00	.	.
Firemen's Salaries	55.00	.	.	.	55.00	55.00	.	.
Police	1,200.00	.	300.00	.	1,500.00	1,478.49	21.51	.
Cemetery	800.00	.	.	.	800.00	800.00	.	.
Cemetery Endowment	.	516.50	.	.	516.50	516.50	.	.
Cemetery Unemployment	.	.	750.00	.	750.00	750.00	.	.
Dental Clinic	260.00	.	.	.	260.00	260.00	.	.
School	22,450.00	.	2,000.00	.	24,450.00	24,263.08	186.92	.
Library	300.00	128.30	.	.	428.30	428.30	.	.
Public Welfare	5,500.00	.	.	131.86	5,631.86	5,631.86	.	.
Old Age Assistance	.	.	.	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,182.77	817.23	.
Board of Health	1,000.00	.	.	134.45	1,134.45	1,134.45	.	.
Essex Sanatorium	696.81	.	.	.	696.81	696.81	.	.

## ANALYSIS SHEET (CONTINUED)

	March Appropriation	Receipts	Special Appropriation	Transfer from Exc. & Defi.	Total	Expended	Transfer to Excess and Deficiency	Transfer to Departments
Memorial Day . . . . .	\$ 250.00	.	.	.	\$ 250.00	\$ 234.59	\$ 15.41	.
Town Counsel . . . . .	250.00	.	.	.	250.00	250.00	.	.
Treasurer's Supplies . . . . .	150.00	.	.	.	150.00	150.00	.	.
Town Officers' Salaries . . . . .	3,098.00	.	.	.	3,098.00	3,082.67	15.33	.
Town Officers' Expenses . . . . .	500.00	.	.	451.23	951.23	951.23	.	.
Town Hall . . . . .	900.00	.	.	.	900.00	741.83	158.17	.
Contingent . . . . .	1,000.00	.	.	.	1,000.00	835.95	164.05	.
Insurance . . . . .	850.00	.	.	.	850.00	839.57	10.43	.
Interest . . . . .	2,400.00	.	.	.	2,400.00	1,727.08	572.92	100.00
Municipal Indebtedness . . . . .	3,000.00	.	.	.	3,000.00	3,000.00	.	.
State Aid . . . . .	480.00	.	100.00	.	480.00	480.00	.	.
Soldiers' Relief . . . . .	48.00	.	.	30.00	178.00	178.00	.	.
Middleton Square Lights . . . . .	360.00	.	.	.	360.00	360.00	.	.
Electric Light Dept. . . . .	2,000.00	25,741.02	.	.	27,741.02	26,651.82	.	.
Revenue Notes . . . . .	.	50,000.00	.	.	83,500.00	48,500.00	.	35,000.00
County Tax . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	2,821.93	.	.
State Tax . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	2,599.95	.	.
Old Age Assessment . . . . .	.	380.00	.	1.00	381.00	381.00	.	.
1929 Tax Levy . . . . .	.	2.49	.	.	.	.	.	2.49
1929 Motor Tax . . . . .	.	102.67	.	.	.	.	.	102.67
1930 Tax Levy . . . . .	.	25,108.44	.	.	.	.	.	25,108.44
1930 Motor Tax . . . . .	.	1,045.93	.	.	.	.	.	1,045.93
1930 Poll Tax . . . . .	.	58.00	.	.	.	.	.	58.00
1930 Overlay . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.57	.	.
1931 Tax Levy . . . . .	.	24,895.69	.	.	.	.	.	24,895.69
1931 Motor Tax . . . . .	.	1,815.40	.	.	.	.	.	1,815.40

## ANALYSIS SHEET

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## ANALYSIS SHEET (CONTINUED)

	March Appropriation	Receipts	Special Appropriation	Transfer from Exc. & Defi.	Total	Expended	Transfer to Excess and Deficiency	Transfer to Depart- ments
1931 Poll Tax . . .	.	\$ 666.00	.	.	.	.	.	\$ 666.00
1931 Overlay . . .	.	.	.	.	.	6.96	.	.
Overlay Reserve . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,000.00
Excess and Deficiency . . .	.	64.00	.	.	.	14.95	.	.
Tax Title Revenue . . .	.	173.48	.	.	.	.	.	.
Accounts Receivable . . .	.	403.00	.	.	.	.	.	.
Private Work . . .	.	79.90	.	.	.	.	.	.
Estimated Receipts . . .	.	16,618.41	.	.	.	.	.	16,618.41

## Totals

\$153,299.23	\$1,461.50	\$149,967.99	\$2,018.50
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## Town Government Report

### Town Officers Salaries

Appropriation		\$3,098 00
EXPENDITURES		
SELECTMEN :		
H. B. Croxford	\$100 00	
George B. Ogden	100 00	
A. L. Jones	79 17	
Wm. H. Sanborn	20 83	
		\$300 00
ASSESSORS :		
Wm. W. Richardson	206 00	
Lyman S. Wilkins	200 00	
R. F. Clapp	177 00	
Fred Love, assistance	5 00	
		\$588 00
REGISTRARS :		
Lennart Winqvist	6 00	
L. H. Crosman	6 00	
M. W. Berry	6 00	
		\$18 00
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE :		
H. B. Croxford	33 37	
S. S. Pike	33 33	
R. B. Floyd	33 33	
		\$100 03
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES :		
Wm. H. Young	\$66 67	
H. G. Spaulding	29 97	
		\$96 64

## TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

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## JANITOR TOWN HALL :

H. A. Young	\$500 00
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## TAX COLLECTOR

H. A. Young	\$400 00
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## CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS :

A. M. Peabody	10 00
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J. A. Atwood	10 00
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Geo. E. Barnaby	10 00
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\$30 00

## TOWN ACCOUNTANT :

E. O. Campbell	300 00
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## TOWN TREASURER :

H. H. Bradstreet	300 00
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## TOWN CLERK :

W. A. Giles	200 00
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## MODERATOR :

George B. Ogden	25 00
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## INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING :

Lyman S. Wilkins	25 00
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## INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS :

Lyman S. Wilkins	150 00
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## SUPERINTENDENT OF BURIALS :

A. M. Peabody	15 00
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## CONSTABLE:

William H. Young	35 00
Transfer to excess and deficiency	15 33
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	\$3,098 00

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Town Counsel

Appropriation	\$250 00
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## EXPENDITURES

Wm. H. McSweeney	\$250 00
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**Town Officers' Expenses**

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Appropriation	\$500 00
Transfer from excess and deficiency	451 23

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\$951 23

## EXPENDITURES

## SELECTMEN:

Hobbs & Warren, Inc., blanks & supplies	7 28
Carter's Ink Co. ink	4 50
The Newhall Printers, letterheads	5 00
C. A. Moore, jury notices	3 50
H. B. Croxford, express and postage	1 56
George B. Ogden, postage	1 00

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\$22 84



## TOWN CLERK :

Hobart Cabinet Co., filing cabinet	12 50	
W. A. Giles, recording certificates and oaths	104 94	
W. A. Giles, express	3 77	
Wakefield Item Co., dog tax book	2 75	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., blanks	1 08	
		\$125 04

## TOWN ACCOUNTANT :

The Newhall Printers, payrolls and envelopes	25 50	
Thorp & Martin Co., book	4 25	
E. O. Campbell, postage and supplies	4 90	
		\$34 65

## TOWN TREASURER :

Hobbs & Warren, Inc., supplies	8 73	
C. A. Moore, envelopes	11 00	
H. H. Bradstreet, tax sale expense	17 00	
H. H. Bradstreet, postage, tax title deeds	50 37	
		\$87 10

## ASSESSORS :

Hobbs & Warren, Inc. blanks, books	22 06	
The Davol Printing House, printing	17 50	
Lila D. Stott, probates, deeds	64 72	
R. F. Clapp, postage	9 82	
W. W. Richardson, postage	2 04	
		\$116 14

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES :

W. and L. E. Gurley, dies	5 91	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., dies and books	3 10	
		\$9 01

## TAX COLLECTOR :

Hobbs & Warren, Inc., books, tax		
bills, etc.	75 97	
Boston Typewriter Co., adding machine	65 00	
Newcomb & Gauss Co., envelopes	26 75	
H. A. Young, tax sale expense—postage,		
recording deeds	370 23	
Salem Evening News, Ad.	18 00	
Emerson & Co., stamp	50	
		<u>\$556 45</u>
		\$951 23

## Town Hall

Appropriation	\$900 00
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## EXPENDITURES

## SUPPLIES :

Naumkeag Paper Co., cups	\$56 25	
General Electric Supply Corp., fixtures	43 78	
D. E. Woodward, lights	22 37	
H. A. Young	17 30	
Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, carpet	14 50	
Middleton Electric Light Dept., supplies	11 20	
C. E. Bragdon, wax	5 80	
H. E. Richardson	3 70	
A. L. Jones	2 49	
Danvers Hardware Co.	1 85	
		<u>\$179 24</u>

## CURTAIN :

H. M. Bixby, cloth	32 49	
F. A. Butler, pipe and labor	10 10	
		<u>\$42 59</u>

## REPAIRS—Labor and Material :

W. P. Earley	74 55	
F. A. Butler	29 90	
Caskin & O'Connell Co.	22 88	
W. C. Whiteredge Co.	19 00	
William H. Young	18 14	
P. H. Moore	10 00	
Calvin Putnam Lumber Co.	8 96	
E. C. Bradstreet	6 00	
Waters & Brown Co.	4 40	
Danvers Hardware Co.	2 80	
Railway Express Agency	58	
A. B. Harrington, express	35	
		\$197 56
Danvers Coal Co.		180 50
Middleton Electric Light Dept.		129 13
Danvers Water Board		9 41
New England Tel. and Tel. Co.		3 40
Transfer to excess and deficiency		158 17
		<u>\$900 00</u>

## Report of Town Hall for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1931

Received from entertainment and dance	\$277 85	
“ “ Improved O. R. M.	94 20	
“ “ Grange	45 60	
“ “ piano	86 00	
		<u>\$503 65</u>

HENRY A. YOUNG,  
Custodian.

### Contingent Fund

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Appropriation	\$1,000 00
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#### EXPENDITURES

##### CHRISTMAS TREE:

Middleton Elec. Lt. Co., cable, supplies	\$45 54
Mechanics Iron Foundry, switch box	15 00
General Elec. Supply Corp., cutouts	11 67
D. E. Woodward, supplies	5 60
Danvers Hardware Co., lamps	2 00
L. N. Tuttle, labor, material	21 20
Lewis Ryer, labor	16 00
Eugene Pelletier, labor	16 00
C. L. Trefry, labor	5 00
Richard Sanborn, labor	3 00
A. L. Jones, keys	75

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\$141 76

##### TOWN MEETING AND ELECTION:

The Newhall Printers, Town Reports	\$221 75
Election Officers	53 00
A. L. Atwood, lunches	9 50
U. S. Post Office, post card and postage	15 00
C. A. Moore, printing cards	6 50

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\$305 75

##### PERAMBULATING:

W. H. Sanborn	\$17 00
George B. Ogden	15 00
H. B. Croxford	15 00

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\$47 00

## TOWN SCALES:

H. E. Richardson, weighing	\$28 48	
S. R. Rollins, weighing	12 07	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., scale book	75	
		<u>\$41 30</u>

## FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Austin J. C. Peabody, Jr., expenses	\$6 45	
The Perkins Press, printing	2 00	
		<u>\$8 45</u>

## ZONING COMMITTEE:

The Mirror Press, printing	\$38 15	
U. S. Post Office, postage	4 77	
C. H. Hampton, typing	3 00	
		<u>\$45 92</u>

Salem Evening News, Tax and Hearing Ads.	47 00	
Lynn Daily Item, Tax Ad.	65 80	
		<u>112 80</u>

July 4th Celebration Committee	30 00	
General Electric Supply Corp., lights	41 56	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., cabinet	15 00	
Merchants Nat. Bank, safe deposit box	15 00	
Berger Metal Culvert Co., culvert	10 43	
Director of Accounts, certifying notes	8 00	
Burton McGlaufflin, cutting brush	7 88	
The Perkins Press, unemployment cards	2 50	
Wm. H. McSweeney, easement	2 25	
H. B. Croxford, express	35	
Transfer to excess and deficiency	164 05	
		<u>\$1,000 00</u>

## Interest and Insurance

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### Insurance Premiums

Appropriation	\$850 00
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#### EXPENDITURES

C. R. Tapley, liability	\$551 30
“ “ school building and furnishing	95 10
“ “ sealer's equipment	26 17
“ “ Treasurer and Collector,	
holdup insurance	42 00
“ “ Clerk Bond	5 00
G. P. Pope, Ins. Agency, Collector's bond	40 00
“ “ Treasurer's bond	80 00
Transfer to excess and deficiency	10 43
	\$850 00

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### Interest

Appropriation	\$2,400 00
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#### EXPENDITURES

Merchants National Bank, funded debt	\$481 25
“ “ “ revenue notes	1,245 83
Transfer to Soldiers' Relief	100 00
Transfer to excess and deficiency	572 92
	\$2,400 00



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## Highway Department

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Appropriation	\$3,750 00	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	3,000 00	
Transfer from excess and deficiency	205 53	
		<u>\$6,955 53</u>

### EXPENDITURES

Labor	2,863 00
Truck	902 83

#### TARVIA AND ASPHALT :

The Barrett Co.	1,369 00	
Standard Oil Co.	534 90	
		<u>1,903 90</u>

#### TRUCK AND TRACTOR REPAIRS :

Stahler's Garage	175 52	
H. F. Davis Tractor Co.	149 96	
J. R. Osborne	8 00	
Pan Verochi	7 50	
Registry of Motor Vehicles	4 00	
C. E. Bragdon, glass	1 00	
		<u>345 98</u>

#### GASOLINE AND OIL :

Sousa's Oil Co.	268 37	
S. R. Rollins	20 00	
Stahler's Garage	7 58	
		<u>295 95</u>

#### SAND, STONE AND GRAVEL :

H. K. Richardson	57 15	
Charles I. Gould	127 05	
M. N. Noonan Co.	26 10	
		<u>210 30</u>

## EQUIPMENT REPAIRS:

Pan Verochi	\$38 30	
F. W. Dingle	38 00	
International Harvester Co.	24 00	
		<u>\$100 30</u>

## SUPPLIES:

Berger Metal Culvert Co.	92 12	
Pan Verochi	24 05	
Commonwealth of Mass., catch basins	20 20	
E. S. Richardson	18 91	
Danvers Hardware Co.	4 85	
		<u>160 13</u>

## SIGNS:

Commonwealth of Mass., 15 signs	120 00	
“ “ line posts	21 60	
J. R. Osborne, freight	3 20	
Pan Verochi, repairing sign	1 00	
L. N. Soper, 2 signs	6 00	
		<u>151 80</u>
McCarthy Bros., macadam at Town Hall		21 34
		<u>\$6,955 53</u>

## Sidewalks

Appropriation	\$200 00
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## EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$86 40	
Truck	74 25	
Transfer to excess and deficiency	39 35	
		<u>\$200 00</u>

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**Peabody Street**

Appropriation	\$700 00	
Transfer to excess and deficiency	2 45	
		\$702 45

**EXPENDITURES**

Labor	\$470 30	
Truck	160 20	
H. K. Richardson, gravel	45 30	
Sousa's Oil Co., gasoline	26 65	
		\$702 45

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**Chapter 90 Special (Unemployment)**

Balance from 1930	\$4,195 70
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**EXPENDITURES**

Labor	\$3,506 95	
Truck	519 75	
H. K. Richardson, gravel	113 55	
Sousa's Oil Co., gasoline	41 09	
Stahler's Garage, truck repairs	8 01	
M. B. Paige Co., pipe	4 20	
Transfer to excess and deficiency	2 15	
		\$4,195 70

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**Snow**

Appropriation	\$1,300 00	
Transfer from excess and deficiency	125 75	
		\$1,425 75

## EXPENDITURES

Labor		\$591 60
Truck and team		474 57
Repairs to Plow and Tractor :		
Pan Verochi	55 85	
Stahler's Garage	18 03	
H. F. Davis Tractor Co.	183 71	
		\$257 59
Pan Verochi, snow plow		35 00
C. E. Bragdon, 6 shovels		3 75
Sousa's Oil Co., gasoline		26 62
Common. of Mass., snow removal State road		13 50
Essex Co-operative Asso., cal. chloride		21 12
H. A. Nangle, sand		2 00
		<u>\$1,425 75</u>

## Bridge

Appropriation	\$550 00	
Transfer from excess and deficiency	31 81	
		\$581 81

## EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$74 40	
Truck	68 07	
Pitman & Brown Co., lumber and spikes	223 63	
Hutchinson Lumber Co., lumber	128 00	
Arthur C. Harvey & Co., steel	83 71	
C. E. Bragdon, spikes, saw	4 00	
		<u>\$581 81</u>

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**Gregory Street**

Appropriation	\$200 00
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**EXPENDITURES**

Labor	\$73 80
Truck	24 75
Charles Gould, sand	10 50
The Barrett Co., tarvia	90 95
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	\$200 00

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**Fencing**

Appropriation	\$300 00
Transfer from excess and deficiency	49 00
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	\$349 00

**EXPENDITURES**

Labor	\$189 85
Truck	97 63
Middleton Electric Light Dept., wire	57 27
Supplies	4 25
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	\$349 00

## Protection of Persons and Property

### Police Department

Appropriation	\$1,500 00
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#### EXPENDITURES

Labor		\$697 50
Auto		84 00
Topsfield Motors, Inc., Ford Touring Car		511 00
R. D. Poole, auto plates	5 88	
Jenney Mfg. Co., gasoline	26 12	
S. R. Rollins, gasoline	6 44	
Topsfield Motors, Inc., oil	3 00	
Stahler's Garage, tube	1 55	
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		\$42 99
Traffic Box :		
Calvin Putnam Lumber Co., lumber	12 44	
Wm. H. Young, labor	10 00	
Danvers Hardware Co., hardware—paint	3 95	
L. N. Soper, lettering	3 00	
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		\$29 39
F. M. Batchelder, uniforms		83 50
Lee & Osborn, electrical supplies		8 66
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., books, blanks		5 90
Wm. H. Atkinson, shells		1 25
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone		14 30
Transfer to excess and deficiency		21 51
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		\$1,500 00



### Forest Fires

Appropriation	\$700 00	
Transfer from excess and deficiency	23 41	
“ “ overlay reserve	500 00	
		\$1,223 41

### EXPENDITURES

Labor		\$709 10
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#### SUPPLIES:

American La France Co.	152 98	
O. H. Sheldon	3 90	
H. K. Barnes, bottles	6 00	
Sousa's Oil Co., tire	7 96	
C. E. Bragdon, rope	60	
G. W. Andrews, racks	6 00	
		177 44
H. K. Barnes, 1000 ft. hose		300 00
S. R. Rollins, gas and oil		7 92
“ “ lunches		7 50

#### PUMP REPAIRS:

Fitzhenny Gupstill Co.	7 50	
O. H. Sheldon	2 25	
Lord & Herlihy, State pump	10 70	
		20 45
L. N. Soper, postage		1 00
		\$1,223 41

### House Fires

Appropriation	\$350 00	
Transfer from interest	100 00	
Transfer from excess and deficiency	275 96	
		\$725 96

## EXPENDITURES

Labor		\$295 25
Truck Repairs—Supplies:		
Stahler's Garage, storage	75 00	
"        "        gas, oil, repairs	18 70	
Sousa's Oil Co. tires, tubes	50 00	
Lord & Herlihy, tire, tube	25 95	
S. R. Rollins, gas, oil	11 69	
Wm. M. Young, light	10 00	
J. R. Gould, light iron	1 50	
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		192 84

## SUPPLIES

Danvers Hardware Co.	9 25	
American La France Co.	8 96	
G. S. Demeritt	4 75	
L. N. Soper	49	
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		23 45
Middleton Electric Light Dept.	46 88	
C. L. Elliott, coal	15 50	
Danvers Water Board	12 00	
Standard Hardware Co., heater and pipe	70 21	
Labor installing heater	35 46	
Calvin Putnam Lumber Co., lumber	20 25	
C. R. Tapley, insurance	5 00	
F. A. Butler, pipe	3 63	
P. H. Moore, repairing hose tester	2 54	
L. N. Soper, postage, express	1 70	
S. R. Rollins, lunches	1 25	
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		\$725 96

### Fire Department—Salary and Wages

#### Appropriation :

Chief's salary	\$15 00
Firemen's wages	55 00

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\$70 00

#### EXPENDITURES

L. N. Soper, Chief	\$5 00
T. C. Brackett	5 00
E. O. Campbell	5 00
C. G. Curtis	5 00
F. L. Currier	5 00
G. S. Demerritt	5 00
J. R. Osborne	5 00
W. H. Milbery	5 00
H. L. Porter	5 00
H. E. Tyler	5 00
M. L. Tyler	5 00
G. H. Webber	5 00
Wm. H. Young	5 00
Wm. M. Young	5 00

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\$70 00

### Fire Hose

#### Appropriation

\$300 00

#### EXPENDITURES

H. K. Barnes, 300 ft. D. J. hose	\$285 00
Transfer to excess and deficiency	15 00

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\$300 00

## Forestry Department

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### Tree Warden

Appropriation	\$200 00
Transfer from excess and deficiency	05
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	\$200 05

### EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$187 00
Team	9 50
Burt McGlauffin, supplies	3 55
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	\$200 05

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### Moth Department

Appropriation	\$945 00
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### EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$814 25
Team	115 50
Stahler's Garage, gas, oil	6 00
Burt McGlauffin, expense to Boston	3 00
“ “ supplies and express	3 22
Danvers Herald, moth advertising	3 00
Transfer to excess and deficiency	03
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	\$945 00

## School and Education

Appropriation	\$24,000 00
Vocational education	450 00
	\$24,450 00

### EXPENDITURES

Teachers' salaries	\$8,777 34
S. G. Bean, Superintendent	390 00
S. G. Bean, expenses	156 13
	546 13
Mary A. Roundy, Nurse	340 00
Mary A. Roundy, expense	33 40
	373 40
Dr. Andrew Nichols, examination	103 00
“ “ “ schick test	40 00
	143 00
E. E. Richardson, janitor	1,036 50
Mrs. J. B. Ramsdell, cleaning	28 75
	1,065 25
Wm. H. Young, attendance officer	25 00
“ “ traffic officer	262 00

### TUITION :

Town of Danvers	4,624 38
City of Peabody	58 80
Town of Topsfield	22 75
	4,705 93

### TRANSPORTATION :

Stahlers' Garage	4,000 00
East. Mass. St. Rlwy Co., tickets	1,600 00
Lois Cousins, tickets	24 00
	5,624 00

## BOOKS :

E. E. Babb & Co.	133 15
R. H. Hinckley & Co.	60 00
Ginn & Co.	55 41
D. C. Heath & Co.	21 78
Silver Burdett & Co.	13 68
The Macmillan Co.	3 94
Milton Bradley Co.	1 79

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## SUPPLIES :

E. E. Babb & Co.	415 90
Milton Bradley Co.	88 44
L. B. Phibrick Co.	49 98
Calvin Putnam Lumber Co.	35 43
Joseph Beaudette	35 00
The Multislamp Co.	23 64
Wilbur Gilpatric	23 20
C. A. Manning	22 82
C. E. Bragdon	20 80
The Mirror Press	11 50
B. W. Ham	10 00
King's Drug Store	20 55
J. B. Hunter	7 65
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	7 18
H. E. Richardson	5 87
Danvers Hardware Co.	5 00
C. B. Dolge	4 19
Geo. F. Cram Co.	2 59
Wright & Potter Printing Co.	2 14
Wm. G. Webber Co.	2 52

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 \$794 40



**Repairs and Painting****Labor and Material:**

F. W. Williams	\$150 34
Pyne & Smith Co.	121 18
F. W. Wendell & Son	102 00
Danvers Water Board	99 59
Pitman & Brown Co.	39 13
Wm. H. Young	28 00
C. E. Bragdon	6 47
Waters & Brown Co.	2 85
Danvers Hardware Co.	2 50
J. L. Tedford	2 50
Calvin Putnam Lumber Co.	2 00

\$556 56

**Committee Expense****W. A. Giles, committee transportation and**

expenses to Boston	\$89 92
W. A. Giles, telephone	13 65
E. H. Stewart, salary clerk	50 00
"    "    telephone and postage	48 79
"    "    expenses to Boston	19 25
H. L. Sargent, typewriter and ribbon	28 00
North Shore Office Equip. Co., typewriter	25 00
Salem Evening News, Ads.	12 00
The Mirror Press, envelopes, letterheads	8 50
Evangeline Donovan, transportation	3 00
Rev. K. E. Henley, speaker	10 00

308 11

New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	44 15
Danvers Water Board, water	41 82
Middleton Electric Light Dept., current	35 24
Harry C. Rix, Coal Co.	108 77
Geo. W. Pickering Co., coal	124 68

233 45

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F. L. Currier, wood	\$ 8 00
Ladd & Webster Co., boiler insurance	209 50
North Shore Agency Inc., bus insurance	176 00
E. E. Richardson, filing saws	3 00
E. E. Bradstreet, tuning pianos	14 50
O. H. Sheldon, cleaning yard	10 00
Burt McGlauffn, trimming trees	4 50
C. A. Manning, express and postage	7 55
Tedford & Martin, express	3 50
E. R. Currier, express	1 00
Transfer to excess and deficiency	186 92
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	\$24,450 00

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### Flint Public Library

Appropriation	\$300 00	
Dog tax	128 30	
	<hr/>	\$428 30

### EXPENDITURES

Danvers Coal Co., coal	\$153 95	
DeWolfe & Fiske Co., books	136 73	
E. L. Fletcher, librarian	87 60	
W. R. Godfrey, janitor	31 25	
Middleton Electric Light Dept.	5 72	
Barnaby Inc., flowers	8 00	
A. A. Pembroke, flowers	2 50	
E. L. Fletcher, postage, supplies	1 60	
Gaylord Bros. Inc., covering	95	
	<hr/>	\$428 30

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## Health and Sanitation

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### Board of Health

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
Transfer from excess and deficiency	134 45
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	\$1,134 45

### EXPENDITURES

Essex Sanitorium, board	\$1,051 70
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, board	9 00
L. N. Soper, 3 signs	6 00
George B. Ogden, expense	4 00
The Everett Print, posters	3 75
Salem Evening News, Ad.	2 00
W. A. Giles, Agent	53 00
J. A. Atwood, returning deaths	5 00
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	\$1,134 45

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### Essex Sanitorium Assessment

Appropriation	\$696 81
	EXPENDITURES
County Treasurer	\$696 81

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### Dental Clinic

Appropriation	\$260 00
	EXPENDITURES
Dr. W. J. S. McNally, Dentist	\$260 00

## Cemetery Department

Appropriation		\$800 00
	EXPENDITURES	
Labor	\$664 57	
L. M. Glover Co., weed killer	49 81	
Danvers Water Board	26 08	
Kelsey Highlands Nursery, 10 trees	23 27	
Morse Hardware Co., supplies	13 05	
Danvers Hardware Co., supplies	8 75	
Calvin Putnam Lumber Co., lumber	8 42	
Stahler's Garage, gas and oil	6 05	
		\$800 00

### Unemployment

Appropriation		\$750 00
	EXPENDITURES	
Labor	\$725 93	
Berger Metal Culvert Co., culvert	24 07	
		\$750 00

### Cemetery Endowments

Received from Danvers Savings Bank	\$348 00	
"    "    Salem Five Cents Sav. Bank	160 50	
"    "    Salem Savings Bank	8 00	
		\$516 50
	EXPENDITURES	
A. M. Peabody		\$516 50

## Soldiers' Benefits

### Memorial Day

Appropriation \$250 00

#### EXPENDITURES

B. C. McSheehy Band	\$110 00
Mathew Kingston, flowers	26 10
Weaths	22 50
Speaker	20 00
Ice Cream	16 20
Music—church	5 00
Flags	8 79
Cake	5 00
Programs	5 00
Reader	3 00
Janitor, church	2 00
Express and telephone	1 00
Transfer to excess and deficiency	15 41

\$250 00

### State Aid

Appropriation \$480 00

#### EXPENDITURES

On order \$480 00

### Soldiers' Relief

Appropriation	\$48 00
Transfer from interest	100 00
Transfer from excess and deficiency	30 00

\$178 00

#### EXPENDITURES

On order \$178 00

## Board of Public Welfare

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Appropriation	\$5,500 00
Transfer from excess and deficiency	131 86
Transfer from Old Age Assistance	24 00
	<hr/> \$5,655 86

### EXPENDITURES

Care of Town needy	\$2,006 40
Care of Town needy in other localities	1,015 45
Care of needy for Commonwealth of Mass.	2,014 33
Care of needy of other Towns	593 11
The Newhall Printers, envelopes	7 75
R. B. Floyd, investigating	7 58
G. A. Bodwell, investigating	6 77
H. B. Croxford, postage	3 25
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	1 22
	<hr/> \$5,655 86

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## Old Age Assistance

Transfer from excess and deficiency	\$3,000 00
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### EXPENDITURES

Assistance	\$2,171 00
R. B. Floyd, investigating, postage	8 00
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., blanks	2 27
The Danvers Herald, Ad.	1 50
Transfer to excess and deficiency	817 23
	<hr/> \$3,000 00

## Miscellaneous Account

### Funded Debt

Appropriation		\$3,000 00
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#### EXPENDITURES

School Notes (2)	\$2,000 00	
Hospital Note	<u>1,000 00</u>	
		\$3,000 00

### County Tax

Raised by 1931 Tax Levy		\$2,821 93
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#### EXPENDITURES

Paid to County Treasurer		\$2,821 93
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### State Tax

Raised by 1931 Tax Levy		\$2,599 95
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#### EXPENDITURES

Paid to Commonwealth of Massachusetts		\$2,599 95
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### Town Treasurer's Supplies

Appropriation		\$150 00
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#### EXPENDITURES

Burrough Adding Machine Co., Adding Machine	\$78 40	
F. & E. Lighting Checkwriter Sales Co., Checkwriter	50 00	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., cabinet	11 85	
Thomas Groom Co., book	6 40	
Emerson & Co., stamps and pad	<u>2 35</u>	
		\$150 00

### Balance Sheet

#### ASSETS

Cash	\$18,845 83
Electric light depreciation	1,002 27
Accounts receivable	3,236 84
1929 motor excise tax	3 71
1930 " " "	196 13
1931 " " "	1,589 56
1931 poll tax	150 00
1931 tax levy	19,298 26
1931 old age assessment	30 00
1931 moth assessment	19 15
Electric Light Dept., accounts receivable	3,367 99
1931 special appropriations	2,250 00
Tax title account	3,215 88
Private moth work	102 01
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	\$53,307 63

#### LIABILITIES

Revenue notes	\$35,000 00
Tax title revenue	3,215 88
1931 overlay	1,328 43
Overlay reserve	1,975 01
Departmental account	3,338 85
Electric light surplus	1,896 71
Electric Light Dept. accounts	3,367 99
1931 moth assessment	19 15
Motor vehicle excise revenue	1,789 40
Excess and deficiency	1,376 21
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	\$53,307 63



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## Tax Account

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### Overlay Reserve

Credit balance January 1, 1931	\$1,485 90	
Balance 1929 overlay	1,267 40	
Balance 1930 overlay	221 71	
	<hr/>	\$2,975 01
Transfer to forest fires	500 00	
Transfer to unemployment	500 00	
Credit balance December 31, 1931	1,975 01	
	<hr/>	\$2,975 01

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### 1929 Tax Levy

Balance due January 1, 1931	99 71	
Additions	69 92	
	<hr/>	\$169 63
Cash receipts	2 49	
Abatements allowed	28 35	
Tax titles	138 79	
	<hr/>	\$169 63

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### 1929 Poll Tax

Balance due January 1, 1931	6 00	
Additions	44 00	
	<hr/>	\$50 00
Abatements		\$50 00

**1929 Motor Tax**

Balance due January 1, 1931	341 14	
Additions	<u>6 20</u>	
		\$347 34
Cash received	102 67	
Abatements	240 96	
Balance due December 31, 1931	<u>3 71</u>	
		\$347 34

**1929 Overlay**

Credit balance January 1, 1931		\$1,295 75
Abatements	28 35	
To overlay reserve	<u>1,267 40</u>	
		\$1,295 75

**1930 Tax Levy**

Balance due January 1, 1931	26,777 02	
Additions	<u>5 79</u>	
		\$26,782 81
Cash received	25,085 44	
Abatements	189 17	
Tax titles	<u>1,508 20</u>	
		\$26,782 81

**1930 Poll Tax**

Balance due January 1, 1931	78 00	
Additions	<u>10 00</u>	
		\$88 00
Cash received	58 00	
Abatements	<u>30 00</u>	
		\$88 00

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**1930 Motor Tax**

Balance due January 1, 1931	1,259 83	
Additions	<u>6 91</u>	
		\$1,266 74
Cash received	1,045 93	
Abatements	24 68	
Balance due December 31, 1931	<u>196 13</u>	
		\$1,266 74

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**1930 Overlay**

Balance January 1, 1931		\$441 45
Abatements	219 74	
To overlay reserve	<u>221 71</u>	
		\$441 45

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**1931 Tax Levy**

Tax levy	45,330 45	
Additions to levy	<u>88 30</u>	
		\$45 418 75
Cash received	24,864 54	
Abatements	210 08	
Balance due December 31, 1931	19,298 26	
Tax titles	<u>1,045 87</u>	
		\$45,418 75

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**1931 Poll Tax**

Assessed polls		\$818 00
Cash received	666 00	
Abatement	2 00	
Balance due	<u>150 00</u>	
		\$818 00

**1931 Old Age Assessment**

Assessed		\$410 00
Cash received	380 00	
Balance due	<u>30 00</u>	
		\$410 00

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**1931 Motor Tax**

Tax levy		\$3,569 44
Cash received	1,815 40	
Abatements	164 48	
Balance due	<u>1,589 56</u>	
		\$3,569 44

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**1931 Moth Assessment**

Tax levy		\$50 30
Cash receipts	31 15	
Balance due	<u>19 15</u>	
		\$50 30

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**Estimated Receipts**

Unclassified receipts during 1931	16,618 41	
Transfer from excess and deficiency	<u>1,715 90</u>	
		\$18,334 31
Used to reduce tax rate		\$18,334 31

**Excess and Deficiency**

Credit balance January 1, 1931	4,471 94	
Departmental transfers	2,018 50	
Cash receipts	64 00	
Motor excise revenues	3,056 69	
Moth receipts 1930-1931	41 15	
Accounts receivable, receipts	403 00	
Adjustment of accounts	659 57	
		<u>\$10,714 85</u>
Transfers to department accounts	1,461 50	
Adjustment on tax on Town tax titles	2,698 86	
Transfer to old age assistance	3,000 00	
Motor excise abatements	430 12	
Motor excise abatements (cash)	14 95	
Transfer to estimated receipts	1,715 90	
Adjustment of accounts	17 31	
Credit balance	1,376 21	
		<u>\$10,714 85</u>

**Analysis of Tax Levy**

Town appropriation	\$57,457 81
State tax	2,599 95
County tax	2,821 93
1931 Overlay	1,547 47
Old Age assessment	381 00
Moth assessment	50 30
To be raised as follows :	
1931 Tax levy	\$45,330 45
1931 poll tax	762 00
1931 Old Age assessment	381 00
1931 moth	50 30
Estimated receipts	18,334 31
Error	40
	<u>\$64,858 46</u>

## Electric Light Department

### REVENUES

Balance January 1, 1931	\$ 672 87
Balance depreciation	134 14
Collections	25,741 02
Street light appropriation	2,000 00
	\$28,548 03

### EXPENDITURES

Power :

Eastern Massachusetts Light Dept.	\$12,180 18
Danvers Electric Light Dept.	15 64
	\$12,195 82

Maintenance and Construction :

Labor	4,350 15
Truck	841 72

Supplies:

General Electric Supply Corporation	\$1,430 12
Danvers Electric Light Dept.	2,125 45
Wetmore-Savage Supply Co.	431 86
C. R. Tapley Co., insurance	316 46
Salem Electric Light Co.	310 08
General Electric Co.	174 50
Danvers Hardware Co.	138 94
E. M. & W. C. Dunnels	77 51
A. B. Harrington, freight and express	70 98
C. O. Currier	60 00
Hygrade Lamp Co.	47 23
Interstate Bureau, Inc.	41 23
John Tupper	39 50
Eastern Mass. Electric Co.	38 97

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Carpenter Manufacturing Co.	38 25
Beverly Gas & Electric Co.	35 97
H. A. Wilkins & Sons, estate	35 00
W. H. Salisbury Co.	29 60
Calvin Putnam Lumber Co.	29 28
Wm. H. Young	23 47
J. R. Kearny Corporation	22 03
Lynn Electric Supply Co.	20 20
D. W. Woodward	19 44
E. H. Austin	18 35
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	17 50
R. Woodman Mfg. & Supply Co.	13 67
Mathias Hart Co.	13 18
Marston's Express	12 10
Lynn Hardware Co.	11 00
C. L. Trefry	7 00
Johnson & Johnson, Inc.	6 58
Tork, Clocks, Inc.	3 37
Pitman & Brown Co.	2 75
J. E. Wendell	1 50
Railway Express Agency	1 02
Boston & Maine R. R.	92
G. S. Demeritt	49

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\$5,665 50

## Office Expenses—Salaries :

A. B. Harrington, manager	\$900 00
A. L. Jones, commissioner	50 00
R. B. Floyd, commissioner	50 00
O. T. Currier, commissioner	50 00
E. P. Oakman, auditor	35 00
A. B. Harrington, cash paid for supplies, postage, telephone	59 62
The Mirror Press, printing	41 00

## ELECTRIC LIGHT ACCOUNT

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Mass. Municipal Light Association	15 00	
Jackson & Phillips, Inc., printing	14 75	
C. R. Tapley, manager's bond	11 25	
The Newhall Printers, letterheads	10 50	
A. L. Jones, postage, telephone, expenses	14 32	
R. S. Bauer Co., books, supplies	7 69	
H. B. McArdle, envelopes	5 00	
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		\$1,264 13
Eastern Mass. Electric Co., Boston St. Line	2,140 00	
Meter Refunds	194 00	
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		\$26,651 32
Balance January 1, 1932	1,896 71	
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		\$28,548 03

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## Middleton Square Lights

Appropriation	\$360 00
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## EXPENDITURES

General Elec. Supply Corporation, lights and brackets	\$360 00
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## Income Statement

## RECEIPTS

Metered sales to private consumers	\$21,578 70	
Municipal revenues	2,000 00	
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		\$23,578 70



## EXPENDITURES

Electric energy purchased	\$12,216 78	
Maintenance of lines and supplies	6,270 95	
Salaries of manager and light board	1,050 00	
Office supplies and expenses	332 09	
Insurance	327 71	
Auditor	35 00	
Depreciation	868 13	
		\$21,100 66
Balance carried to profit and loss		2,478 04

Ratio of operating expenses to operating revenues 89 49  
per cent.

## Balance Sheet

## ASSETS

Plant investment (less depreciation)	\$22,379 07	
General equipment	141 14	
Cash	894 44	
Accounts receivable	3,367 99	
Materials and supplies on hand	1,620 00	
Depreciation fund	1,002 27	
		\$29,404 91

## LIABILITIES

Appropriations for construction	\$8,865 78	
Accounts payable	1,089 75	
Customers' deposits	516 50	
Loans repayment	4,500 00	
Profit and loss	14,432 88	
		\$29,404 91

## Treasurer's Report

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Balance on hand January 1, 1931	\$16,516 86
Received from Henry A. Young :	
Rent of hall	\$417 65
Rent of piano	86 00
1929 auto tax	102 67
1929 auto tax interest	8 49
1929 tax	2 49
1930 polls	58 00
1930 auto tax	1,045 93
1930 auto tax interest	27 95
1930 tax	25,108 44
1930 tax interest	950 99
1931 polls	666 00
1931 auto tax	1,815 40
1931 auto tax interest	2 87
1931 Old Age tax	380 00
1931 tax	24,895 69
1931 tax interest	38 93
Received from A. B. Harrington :	
Electric Light collections	21,012 31
Meter deposits	360 00
Private work	385 47
Essex and River Streets assessments	164 67
One-half cost replacing poles	3,450 00
Supplies sold	309 47
Rebate on transformer	58 18
Received from State Treasurer :	
Highways	5,500 00
School fund income	585 37
Board of Health—division tuberculosis	159 29

Tuition and transportation Industrial	
School	183 87
Public welfare	70 00
Gas tax	750 00
Compensation, inspector of animals	75 00
Reimbursement, loss of taxes	533 81
Income tax	5,199 00
Corporation tax, public service	219 46
Corporation tax, public service 1930	2 30
Corporation tax, business	1,109 36
Trust Co., tax <sup>1</sup>	7 56
National Bank tax	1 61
State aid	380 00
Veterans' exemption	31 76
Street Railway tax 1930	262 20
High School tuition	2,295 18
Transportation High School pupils	1,524 00
Street Railway tax	66 03
Moth work, highways	22 50
School Superintendent	229 62
School Superintendent	32 22

## County of Essex :

Dog tax	128 30
Reimbursements for loss of taxes	151 96

## Sundry Receipts :

Interest on deposits	184 27
Various licenses	101 00
Burt McGlaufflin, lead sold	26 00
"        "        private work	8 90
State highway moth work	52 70
First District Court fines	34 80
American Legion refund	2 50

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Wm. E. Woods, tax title redeemed	18 17
Eugene Hubbard, tax title redeemed	61 45
Samuel Bazer, tax title redeemed	19 94
Clarence H. Mahoney, tax title redeemed	22 20
Constantinos Colleineis " " "	7 60
L. E. Colbourne " " "	39 72
Chester P. Rogers " " "	16 40
Herbert E. Richardson, weigher's fees	6 97
Sidney Rollins, weigher's fees	3 13
H. K. Richardson, 1930 weighing fees	38 25
Middleton Arms, snow work	6 00
Essex Sanitorium, snow work	39 30
Merchants National Banks, revenue notes	
Nos. 79 and 82	50,000 00
Albert F. Henderson, Cemetery Lot 143	25 00
W. A. Leonard " "	141 25 00
J. Roy Osborne " "	812 20 00
Benjamin Graham " "	139 25 00
Mrs. Merrill Peabody " "	754 50 00
Edwin W. Carter " "	137 25 00
Howard H. Hood " "	842 20 00
Chas. S. and Theodore	
H. Kinney " "	844 20 00
Frank B. Davenport " "	838 20 00
Arthur M. Peabody, 1 grave sold	10 00
Staff Essex Co. Agri. School, 1 grave	10 00
Herbert Spaulding, sealer's fees	10 35
Mary E. Roundy, school clinic	91 50
City of Lynn, Public Welfare	152 50
City of Salem " "	180 00
I. O. R. M., flags	2 20
B. & M. R. R., refund acct. Electric	
Light Department	92
Edwin B. Meade for land on East Street	50 00

## TREASURER'S ACCOUNT

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Alphonzo Bixby for land on Birch Avenue	5 00
Eva M. Burnett for 4 lots Haswell Park	4 00
“ “ “ meadow	5 00
Danvers Savings Bank, int. endowed lots	348 00
Salem “ “ “ “ “	8 00
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, interest	
endowed lots	160 50
Town of Danvers, tax on land around	
pond	352 06
Henry A. Young, advertising	50 35
“ “ “ services at tax sales	71 35
Total Receipts	<u>\$153,299 23</u>
	\$169,816 09
Town orders	<u>149,967 99</u>
Balance on hand December 31, 1931	\$19,848 10

H. H. BRADSTREET,  
Treasurer.



Payroll Analysis

OF THE

Town of Middleton

OF THE FOLLOWING

Departments

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Highways

Police

Fire

Forestry

Moth

Cemetery





## Payroll Analysis

### Highway Department

	Labor	Truck
G. W Andrews	\$33 50	
G. E. Barnaby	30 00	
Howard Burnet	22 50	
A. B. Bent	35 50	
T. A. Bott	414 75	
E. E. Bryer	2 00	
C. G. Curtis	466 75	
Otis Evans	352 25	
G. F. Evans	522 50	
Dexter Freeman	11 75	
Chas. Freeman	122 50	
Wm. Freeman	7 75	
Arthur Gould	15 00	
Raymond Gould	15 00	
Edward Hickford	23 75	
Edward Honeysett	5 00	
Clyde L. Hood	7 00	20 00
Theo. Kenney	4 00	
Edward Leary	4 00	
Joseph Leary	4 00	
Allan Marshal	15 00	
John Morgan	72 00	
Pierce Macdonald	186 00	
A. L. McQuarrie	13 75	
Fred Nelson	16 00	
J. R. Osborne	579 60	1,482 30
Benj. Ogden	453 50	1 50
Stephen O'Rourke	185 00	
Otis Pickett	203 75	

	Labor	Truck
Elliott Rowell	365 75	
M. Rushworth	12 00	
C. F. Rand	22 50	
Richard Sanborn	1 75	
Water Steele	6 25	
O. H. Sheldon		298 50
Theo. Sillars	8 00	
L. N. Soper	19 25	
Wm. G. Turnbull	6 00	
Chas. Trefry	69 50	
M. L. Tyler	5 00	
H. E. Tyler	5 00	
Frank Willey	2 25	
Geo. H. Webber	2 00	
	<hr/> \$4,349 35	<hr/> \$1,802 30

### Chapter 90 (Unemployment)

	Labor	Truck
G. A. Andrews	\$61 75	
G. E. Barnaby	84 50	
Frank Bryer	36 00	
Howard Burnett	46 25	
A. Boychuch	42 25	
T. A. Bott	115 25	
Walter Clayton	40 50	
Thomas Cousins	8 00	
C. G. Curtis	118 00	
Albert Daniels	42 25	
Otis Evans	186 25	
Frank Evans	183 25	
Dexter Freeman	62 25	

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	Labor	Truck
Chas. Freeman	44 50	
Wm. Freeman	28 00	
B. A. Fuller		10 00
Harris Giles	16 00	
Edward Hickford	79 50	
Edward Honeysett	12 00	
Thomas Honeysett	12 00	
Earl Henderson	20 00	
Raymond Henderson	54 25	
Clyde Hood	40 50	45 00
Theo. Kenney	36 00	
Fred Love	20 00	
Edward Leary	19 50	
Joseph Leary	19 50	
Robert Lee	16 00	
Roy Lord	12 00	
Allen Morrison	12 00	
Allan Marshall	50 25	
George Morse	48 75	
George Miller	29 00	
Newton Marwell	12 25	
A. L. McQuarrie	47 50	
Fred Nelson	44 50	
J. R. Osborne	226 20	464 75
Benj. Ogden	130 50	
Stephen O'Rourke	48 50	
Rodney Punchard	8 00	
James Punchard	4 00	
James Punchard, Jr.	4 00	
Elmer Pickett	20 00	
Arthur Pickett	16 00	
Loring Peabody	18 25	
Eugene Pelletier	69 75	

	Labor	Truck
Elliott Rowell	116 00	
W. W. Richardson	12 00	
L. O. Ryer	24 00	
M. Rushworth	66 25	
C. F. Rand	78 25	
L. N. Russell	74 25	
G. E. Sheldon	83 50	
Richard Sanborn	76 50	
Walter Steele	60 00	
Theo. Sillars	94 25	
L. N. Soper	20 00	
Wm. G. Turnbull	75 50	
M. L. Tyler	42 24	
Gordon Trefry	4 00	
Chas. Trefry	74 25	
W. W. Wilkins	46 25	
Sidney Woods	16 00	
Ralph Woods	12 00	
Wm. Weeks	60 50	
Frank Wiley	76 00	
Cleo Wright	74 75	
Harry West	74 75	
	<hr/> \$3,506 95	<hr/> \$519 75

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### Cemetery

	Labor
J. A. Atwood	\$94 00
G. E. Barnaby	87 50
Frank Bryer	14 25
Howard Burnett	19 25
Albert Daniels	75 50

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Harris Giles	10 25
Alton Hubbard	5 25
Benj. Ogden	14 25
A. M. Peabody	149 57
L. N. Russell	127 50
Elliott Rowell	16 00
G. E. Sheldon	10 25
Richard Sanborn	9 00
W. W. Wilkins	32 00
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	\$664 57

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### Cemetery (Unemployment)

	Labor
Raymond Berry	\$4 00
G. E. Barnaby	29 00
A. Blaney	8 00
H. Burnett	8 00
Stephen Caverly	43 50
Chas. Freeman	25 00
Wm. Freeman	12 00
E. L. Foss	55 50
Leo Fournier	8 00
Arthur Gould	45 00
Ernest Gould	16 00
Raymond Gould	4 00
Basil Hill	4 00
Clyde Hood	27 50
Theo. Kenney	12 00
Edward Leary	16 00
Joseph Leary	16 00
A. L. McQuarrie	29 75
Raymond McKenney	27 50



	Labor	
Stephen O'Rourke	8 00	
L. N. Russell	12 00	
Clarence Richardson	8 00	
L. O. Ryer	54 25	
G. E. Sheldon	20 00	
W. G. Turnbull	39 50	
A. M. Peabody	75 93	
Eugene Pelletier	43 50	
Robert Wheatty	24 00	
Frank Willey	20 00	
Forest Willey	16 00	
Henry Willey	14 00	
		\$725 93

### Moth and Tree Warden

	Labor	Team
T. A. Bott	\$ 7 25	
Albert Daniels	141 50	
Earl Duclow	6 00	
Chas. Freeman	1 00	
Wilfred Fournier	5 00	
Allen Morrison	24 00	
Burton McGlauffin	355 50	81 00
G. E. Sheldon	196 50	
O. H. Sheldon		44 00
W. W. Wilkins	260 50	
Riley Wendell	4 00	
	\$1001 25	\$125 00



**Police Department**

	Labor	Auto
C. T. Brackett	\$4 50	
E. D. Bryer	4 50	
A. H. Kitchin	9 00	1 00
J. R. Osborne	50	
G. B. Ogden	12 00	
W. H. Milbery	30 50	
A. A. Sheldon	65 25	
G. H. Webber	197 75	18 00
Wm. H. Young	373 50	65 00
	<u>\$697 50</u>	<u>\$84 00</u>

**Electric Light Department**

	Labor	Auto
G. W. Andrews	\$ 3 25	
G. E. Barnaby	25 75	
C. T. Brackett	1,746 76	824 47
T. A. Bott	40 00	
R. H. Currier	761 00	
S. D. Caverly	11 75	
R. H. Eaton	3 25	
Dexter Freeman	16 00	
E. L. Foss	36 00	
A. I. Gould	16 00	
Ray Gould	28 00	
Kenneth Hilton	9 50	
C. L. Hood	7 75	
Edward Leary	5 50	
Joseph Leary	5 50	
Stewart McDonald	24 00	

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Allen Morrison	1 00	
A. L. McQuarrie	19 50	
Burton McGlauffin	\$5 50	
Stephen O'Rourke	16 00	
H. R. Porter	1,374 39	
Elliott Rowell	22 00	
L. N. Russell	6 25	
Richard Sanborn	4 25	
V. Sedlac	12 00	
Theo. Sillars	22 00	
G. E. Sheldon	15 75	
C. L. Trefry	15 00	
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	\$4,253 65	<hr/>
		\$824 47







ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

Various Committees

OF THE

Town of Middleton

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1931

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PART II



## Cemetery Endowment Account—1931

NAME	No. of Lot	Fund	Balance 1931	Interest Received	Amount Withdrawn	Balance
Atwood, L. Frank . . .	360	\$100 00	\$133 18	\$6 73	\$6 00	\$133 91
Averill, Edward P. . .	52	100 00	102 90	5 22	5 00	103 12
Averill, Joseph . . .	346	100 00	101 17	5 11	4 00	102 28
Barnaby, Caroline V. .	646	100 00	106 08	5 40	4 50	106 98
Batchelder, Harold T. .	528	75 00	78 30	3 98	4 00	78 28
Berry, Allen . . . .	112	122 90	122 90	6 18	6 00	123 08
Berry, William . . . .	178	100 00	101 84	5 13	6 00	100 97
Bouchard, Louis . . .	706	100 00	102 68	5 18	5 00	102 86
Brown, Sarah F. . . .	436	50 00	50 83	2 55	2 00	51 38
Bryer, Allen D. . . .	526	100 00	101 73	5 13	5 00	101 86
Conlon, Mary A. . . .		100 00	103 64	5 26	5 00	103 90
Curry, Mary A. . . .	342	100 00	102 50	5 21	5 00	102 71
Curtis, Phoebe . . . .		50 00	52 84	2 65	3 00	52 49
Day, Mrs. Geo. E. . . .	588	50 00	51 18	2 59	3 00	50 77
Demsey, J. W. . . . .	156	100 00	102 27	5 15	5 00	102 42
Dennett, Ruth H. . . .	24	75 00	76 42	3 85	4 00	76 27
Emerson, Benjamin F. .	214	150 00	158 80	8 00	7 00	159 80
Emerson, Ellen M. . . .	138	100 00		1 25		101 25
Emerson, Eunice W. . .	166	100 00	101 63	5 13	5 00	101 76
Emerson, Henry P. . . .	496	500 00		12 50		512 50
Estey, Annie E. . . . .	572	100 00	102 43	5 15	5 00	102 58
Esty, Allena A. . . . .	258	100 00	102 55	5 18	5 00	102 73
Esty and Hutchinson . .	48	100 00	100 25	5 05	5 00	100 30
Eaton, Irvin L. . . . .	168	75 00	75 46	3 81	4 00	75 27
Flint, Harley A. . . . .	256	100 00	100 00	3 78	3 00	100 78
Fowler, Alonzo . . . .	12	100 00	101 81	5 13	5 00	101 94
Frame, L. Maria . . . .	516	125 00	126 50	6 38	6 00	126 88
Fuller, Abijah . . . . .	110	150 00		5 66		155 66
Fuller, Daniel . . . . .	628	100 00	101 22	5 25	6 00	103 47
Fuller, Jeremiah . . . .	70	125 00	131 64	6 68	6 00	132 32
Fuller, Lida A. . . . .	686	100 00	101 50	5 13	5 00	101 63
Fuller, Sophronia . . . .	236	200 00	236 99	11 95	15 00	233 94
Fuller, Timothy & Lydia	268	100 00	102 81	5 22	5 00	103 03
Fuller, William H. . . .	336	100 00	103 09	5 21	5 00	103 30
Flint, George B. . . . .	152	66 30	67 13	3 38	3 00	67 51
Frost, Chas. O. . . . .	240	150 00		5 66		155 66

## Cemetery Endowment Account—Continued

NAME	No. of Lot	Fund	Balance 1931	Interest Received	Amount Withdrawn	Balance
Gifford, William . . .	180	\$100 00	\$100 50	\$5 08	\$5 00	\$100 58
Gilbert, James . . .	188	100 00	100 50	4 63	3 00	101 63
Godfrey, William R. . .	714	100 00	113 83	5 73	4 00	115 56
Goswiler, Carl B. . . .	716	150 00	154 60	7 86	8 00	154 46
Gould, Porter I. . . .	414	100 00	102 21	5 15	5 00	102 36
Gould, Eben . . . .	514	100 00	103 35	5 21	4 00	104 56
Goodwin, Ira E., Heirs of	380	100 00	102 98	5 18	5 00	103 16
Graves, D. A. . . . .	234	100 00	100 48	5 05	4 00	101 53
Graves, Kendall E. . . .	586	100 00	102 84	5 18	5 00	103 02
Haskell Ella C. . . . .	390	200 00	217 44	11 05	15 00	213 49
Hall, E. P. . . . .	106	100 00	103 27	5 24	5 00	103 51
Harlow, Levi F. . . . .	684	100 00	103 55	5 26	6 00	102 81
Higgins, Lewis S. . . .	264	100 00	102 80	5 22	6 00	102 02
Hobbs, Kathryn . . . .	588	50 00	51 95	2 61	3 00	51 56
Hutchinson, Carolina A.	253	100 00	100 86	5 08	5 00	100 94
Hutchinson, Elisha P. . .	740	100 00	100 76	5 08	5 00	100 84
Hutchinson and Russell .	518	100 00	102 10	5 18	6 00	101 28
Jones, John E. . . . .	372	100 00	103 25	5 24	6 00	102 49
Jones, Samuel . . . .	290	100 00	103 89	5 27	6 00	103 16
Johnson, Frank E. . . .	804	100 00	101 91	5 13	5 00	102 04
McIntire, Abram S. . . .	132	75 00	76 81	3 85	4 00	76 66
McIntire, Annie M. . . .	338	100 00	115 17	5 83	8 00	113 00
Peabody & Hutchinson	182-84	150 00	158 70	8 00	10 00	156 70
Peabody, Andrew . . . .	56	100 00	101 99	5 13	5 00	102 12
Peabody, A. W. . . . .	90	200 00	211 84	10 77	8 00	214 61
Peabody, Dean . . . . .	344	100 00	103 39	5 24	5 00	103 63
Peabody, Laura E. . . .	534	100 00	103 74	5 27	7 00	102 01
Peabody, S. Maria . . . .	584	100 00	100 45	5 05	4 00	101 50
Peabody, Samuel M. . . .	204	100 00	106 31	5 35	7 00	104 66
Peabody, William M. . . .		100 00	100 32	5 05	5 00	100 37
Peabody, John L. . . . .	196	100 00	103 79	5 23	5 00	104 02
Pike, Sarah J. . . . .	412	125 00	126 77	6 38	6 00	127 15
Phelps, Annie H. . . . .	146	150 00		3 75		153 75
Phelps, William A. . . .	148	100 00	101 69	5 13	5 00	101 82
Richardson, Benj. F. . . .	164	100 00	105 65	5 35	5 00	106 00
Richardson, Rev. D. W.	410	100 00	102 98	5 22	6 00	102 20

## Cemetery Endowment Account—Continued

NAME	No. of Lot	Fund	Balance 1931	Interest Received	Amount Withdrawn	Balance
Richardson, Daniel . . .		100 00	\$102 38	\$5 20	\$5 00	\$102 58
Richardson, Lucy G. . .	80	100 00	101 25	5 11	5 00	101 36
Russell, Harriett W. . .		100 00	104 29	5 25	6 00	103 54
Russell, P. B. . . . .	430	200 00	219 09	11 08	10 00	220 17
Smith, E. D. & M. J. . .	436	100 00	100 48	5 05	4 00	101 53
Smith, Sarah F. . . . .	102	150 00	158 78	8 00	6 00	160 78
Skinner & Wilkins . . .	400	100 00	103 35	5 21	5 00	103 56
Sargent, James A. . . .	750	100 00	101 48	5 13	5 00	101 61
Soper, Polly A. . . . .	298	100 00	101 39	5 11	5 00	101 50
Stiles, David . . . . .		150 00	151 72	7 66	6 00	153 38
Stiles, Farnham . . . .	10	100 00	101 85	5 13	5 00	101 98
Taylor, Benjamin F. . .	334	100 00	104 20	5 29	5 00	104 49
Tedford, Joseph A. . . .	810	100 00	101 25	5 11	2 00	104 36
Thomas, H. Amelia . . .	64	75 00	76 31	3 85	4 00	76 16
Thompson, C. E. & Ellen	392	200 00	203 33	10 28	4 00	209 61
Tufts, Wilbur . . . . .	486	100 00	103 31	5 21	6 00	102 52
Wellman, John R. . . . .	40	200 00	204 00	10 33	8 00	206 33
Weston, Samuel W. . . .	36	200 00	225 21	11 38	15 00	221 59
White, Henry F. . . . .	208	80 00	82 05	4 18	4 00	82 23
Whitman, Carl N. . . . .	116	100 00	103 79	5 23	6 00	103 02
Wilkins, Henry A. . . . .	254	100 00	103 11	5 21	6 00	102 32
Wilkins, Edward W. . . .	172	150 00	164 01	8 36	6 00	166 37
Wilkins, Susan A. . . . .	596	100 00	100 72	5 08	5 00	100 80
Wilkins, Samuel H. . . .	230	100 00	103 13	5 24	5 00	103 37
Wilkins, Luther . . . . .	176	150 00	160 67	8 10	5 00	163 77
Wilkins, Timothy . . . .	50	100 00	104 35	5 25	4 00	105 60
Young, John . . . . .	278	100 00	104 12	5 29	6 00	103 51

## Endowed Lots Account

Interest from Danvers Savings Bank	\$348 00
“ “ Salem Savings Bank	8 00
“ “ Salem Five Cents Savings Bk.	160 50
	<u>\$516 50</u>
Paid Arthur M. Peabody	\$516 50

H. H. BRADSTREET, Treasurer.

## B. F. Emerson Fund

Statement of the principal of the B. F. Emerson Fund, Naumkeag Trust Company, agents for the trustees, January 29, 1932.

Broadway Savings Bank, Lawrence	\$1,332 22	
Salem Savings Bank	1,039 19	
Andover Savings Bank	1,201 67	
Danvers Savings Bank	988 25	
\$1,000 New York Central & Hudson River		
Rd. Co. 4% May 193 4	1,031 25	
2,000 Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe		
Ry. Co. 4% 1995	2,000 00	
33 shares Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe		
Ry Co. Preferred	1,482 81	
	<hr/>	\$9,075 39
Principal cash balance		1,000 00
		<hr/> \$10,075 39

## Henry K. Mansfield Fund

Balance January 1, 1931	\$ 97 54	
Income received	1,285 00	
Interest	91	
Cash returned	55 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,438 45
Less Trustees' Orders paid		1,427 03
Balance January 1, 1932		<hr/> \$11 42

H. H. BRADSTREET, Treasurer.



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## Henry K. Mansfield Fund

### RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1931	\$ 97 54	
Received from Old Colony Trust Co.	1,285 00	
Adults bus tickets	55 00	
Interest	91	
		\$1,438 45

### EXPENDTURES

#### BAND CONCERTS:

V. F. W. Post 1011, band	\$165 00	
Salem Cadet Band and singer	142 00	
G. W. Andrews, labor	24 50	
Middleton Electric Light Co.	2 70	
		\$334 20

#### PICNIC:

Pine Island Park	\$273 10	
Mason's Coach and Taxi service	248 00	
R. D. Hurlburt	46 40	
John Katz	14 80	
L. N. Soper, signs	9 00	
George Webber, automobile	8 00	
Clarence Richardson, automobile	8 00	
Naumkeag Paper Co.	5 00	
Morehouse Baking Co.	4 25	
Noore's Market	4 08	
Everett Print	2 50	
Granville Demeritt	1 00	
		(a) \$624 13

#### THANKSGIVING:

R. D. Hurlburt	\$76 09	
G. S. Demeritt	75 80	
H. E. Richardson	68 61	
M. A. Osgood	6 00	
		\$226 50

## CHRISTMAS:

R. D. Hurlburt	\$72 00	
G. S. Demerritt	93 00	
A. & P. Company	55 00	
H. E. Richardson	13 00	
M. A. Osgood	6 00	
C. A. Moore, printing	2 10	
Postage	1 10	
		\$242 20
		<u>\$1,427 03</u>
	\$1,438 45	
	<u>1,427 03</u>	
Balance		\$11 42
(a) Net cost of picnic from fund \$569 13		

## David Cummings Fund

Cash on hand January 1, 1931:

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank	\$3,906 63	
Salem Savings Bank	4,133 22	
Merchants National Bank	42 09	
		<u>\$8,081 94</u>

Received:

United Shoe Machinery dividends	\$136 52	
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, int.	195 21	
Salem Savings Bank, interest	209 23	
	<u>Total income</u>	<u>\$540 96</u>

\$8,622 90

Less Trustees' Orders paid

476 00

Balance in banks January 1, 1932

\$8,146 90

Also 39 shares United Shoe Machinery Co. common stock.

H. H. BRADSTREET, Treasurer.

## List of Jurors

The following is a List of Jurors prepared by the Selectmen :

Allen, Harry A., Manager	South Main Street
Atwood, Justin A., Undertaker	Maple Street
Barnaby, George E., Laborer	Liberty Street
Bott, Thomas A., Laborer	Maple Street
Crossman, Leon H., Manager	North Main Street
Currier, Otto T., Farmer	Boston Street
Evans, George F., Farmer	Forest Street
Groce, George H., Carpenter	Essex Street
Matheson, James W., Painter	Maple Street
Page, Arthur T., Machinist	Maple Street
Rafferty, Thomas E., Leather Worker	South Main Street
Read, George E., Carpenter	North Main Street
Steele, Walter M., Carpenter	Lake View Avenue
Tyler, Harley M., Janitor	North Main Street
Young, Henry M., Custodian	Mount Vernon Street

## School Nurse Report

Center School, Middleton, Mass., May 25, 1931.

To the Board of Health, Middleton, Mass.

I submit the following report of the work done by Doctor McNally our School Dentist, from April 6 to May 12, 1931 :

Number of children examined by Dr. McNally	190
Number of notices sent to parents	190

Number of cleanings	125
Number of extractions	95
Number of abscess teeth extracted	19
Number of cement fillings	7
Number of amalgam silver fillings	144
Number of white enamel fillings	20
Number of hours $99\frac{2}{3}$ at \$3.00 per hour	\$299.00
Amount of money received from parents	91.50
Amount of money unpaid	14.75

Respectfully yours,

MARY E. ROUNDY, School Nurse.

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## Town Clerk's Report

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Births 27 ; Marriages 14 ; Deaths—residents 17 ; Deaths—non-resident 106.

Respectfully submitted,

WAYNE A. GILES,

Town Clerk.

## Flint Public Library

### Trustees' Report

Balance January 1, 1931	\$ 86 85
Fees from Librarian (1930)	39 11
Essex Savings Bank	50 00
Broadway Savings Bank	79 31
Naumkeag Trust Company	528 83
H. H. Bradstreet	428 30
Mary Emerson Fund	60 00
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	\$1,272 40

#### Bills paid to January 1, 1932:

Edith L. Fletcher, Librarian	\$350 00
Edith L. Fletcher, postage and express	9 56
W. R. Godfrey, services	117 00
W. R. Godfrey, supplies	4 85
Danvers Water Board	13 00
Middleton Electric Light Dept.	38 84
DeWolfe Fisk & Co., books	256 45
F. J. Barnard & Co., bookbinders	69 75
M. E. Tyler, postage and carfare	3 70
Barnaby, Inc., flowers	8 00
A. A. Pembroke, flowers	2 50
G. P. Pope, insurance	7 50
Treat Hardware, lawn mower and rake	9 95
M. L. Tyler, services	51 75
J. E. Wendell, repairing chairs	12 75
C. Gardner Cavelry, services	11 20
F. W. Wendell and Danvers Coal Co., fuel	171 50
Paul Moore	3 37
Remington Rand Business Service, Inc.	10 15
R. N. Maxwell, services and material	25 00

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Herman Goldberger, magazines	63 50
American Literary Association	2 50
Gaylord Brothers, cards	95
H. M. Tyler, postage and carfare	3 90
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Total expense	\$1,247 67
Balance January 1, 1932	24 73
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	\$1,272 40

HARLEY M. TYLER,  
Treasurer.

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### Mary Esty Emerson Book Fund

Principal	\$2,500 00
Accrued Interest	62 97
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	\$2,562 97
Paid to Trustees	60 00
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	\$2,502 97

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### Charles L. Flint Fund

Deposited in banks as follows:

Broadway Savings Bank	\$1,866 96
Essex Savings Bank	1,000 00
Andover Savings Bank	388 56
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank	892 43
Danvers Savings Bank	1,172 80
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	\$5,320 75

### Librarian's Report

During 1931 Flint Public Library has been opened to the public the usual library hours. The total circulation of books has been 10,032, an increase of 859 over that of 1930. The same magazines have been on the reading table as during 1930.

At the Grammar School graduation in June the library was much pleased to award certificates to fifteen pupils of Grade 8 and to six pupils of Grade 7.

Pupils of Grade 8 who read twenty books, five of which were non-fiction were Mary E. Sullivan and Leonard Campbell.

Those reading ten books were Ernetta Foss and Frances Whittredge. Those reading five books were Alfred Lord, Dorothy Somers, Virginia Kennedy, Roger Leavitt, Hannah Martin, Vito Menesale, Marion Rennard, Ernest Townsend, Sydney Rollins, Richard Goodale, Donald Estey. Beecher Williams of Grade 7 read fifteen books. Those of Grade 7 who read ten books were Angelina Bucario and Barbara Slatery. Muriel Hoelzel, John Ylitalo and Annie Byko read five books.

The books read by these pupils were from the approved State reading list issued by the Division of Libraries of the State Board of Education.

During the year there have been several fine educational picture exhibits loaned by the Woman's Educational Association of Boston.

The librarian wishes to thank the trustees for their loyal support and interest in the general management of the library during the past year.

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### Annual Statistics

Volumes in library January 1, 1931	9,683
“ added by purchase	122
“ added by gift	18

Total number of volumes added	140
Volumes in library January 1, 1932	9,823
Total circulation of books, year ending Jan. 1, 1932	10,032
Magazines loaned during the year	444
Circulation of non-fiction during the year	895
Largest monthly circulation, (August)	1,003
Smallest monthly circulation, (July)	724
Average monthly circulation	836
New borrowers registered	79
Number at reading table during year	1,537
Largest number at reading table, (December)	167
Smallest number at reading table, (July)	86
Average number at reading table, per month	128
Collected on books kept overtime or damaged	\$35 10

Respectfully submitted,

EDITH L. FLETCHER,

Librarian.



## Tax Collector's Report

### 1929 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX

Balance due January 1, 1931		\$374 34
Cash receipts	\$102 67	
Abatements	240 96	
Uncollected	3 71	
		\$374 34
Interest received and paid to Treasurer		8 49

### 1929 TAX LEVY

Balance uncollected January 1, 1931		\$225 63
Personal collected	2 49	
Abatements	28 35	
Abatements, poll tax	50 00	
Tax titles	144 79	
		\$225 63

### 1930 TAX LEVY

Balance uncollected January 1, 1931		\$26,891 09
Collected	25,085 44	
Collected, moth work	23 00	
Collected, poll taxes	58 00	
Abatement, poll taxes	30 00	
Abatement	189 17	
Tax titles	1,505 48	
		\$26,891 09
Interest received and paid to Treasurer		950 99
Receipts, 1930 tax sale		121 70

### 1930 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX

Balance due, January 1, 1931		\$1,266 74
Cash receipts	1,045 93	
Abatements	24 68	
Uncollected	196 13	
		\$1,266 74

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Interest received and paid to Treasurer	27 95
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## 1931 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX

Tax levy		\$3,569 44
Cash receipts	1,815 32	
Abatements	164 48	
Uncollected	1,589 64	
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		\$3,569 44
Interest received and paid to Treasurer		2 87

## 1931 TAX LEVY

Levy		\$46,697 05
Collected, personal and real estate	24,864 59	
Uncollected, personal and real estate	19,350 89	
Abatements	210 08	
Collected, polls	666 00	
Abatements	2 00	
Uncollected polls	150 00	
Collected, old age assessment	380 00	
Uncollected, old age assessment	30 00	
Collected, moth	31 15	
Uncollected, moth	19 15	
Tax titles	987 25	
Abatement	5 99	
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		\$46,697 05
Interest received and paid to Treasurer		38 93

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY A. YOUNG,

Tax Collector.

## Electric Light Commissioners' Report

We take pleasure in submitting this, our third annual report of this municipal department for the year ending December 31, 1931. Every year since the department has been in operation, has seen an increase in earnings over the previous year regardless of general conditions of prosperity or depression.

Extensive repairs have been made to primary and secondary lines during the year. The maintenance of lines, new construction and street lighting have been satisfactory, and we intend in 1932, to improve and further remedy the faults throughout our distribution system.

It will be necessary for the Town to purchase a constant current transformer for street lighting, this year. The present constant current transformer has nearly a 50% overload, and is subject to failure at any time.

This department has withstood considerable destructive criticism as well as sinister propaganda whose primary purpose was to discredit the municipal maintenance of our distribution system. The factor of maintenance cannot be too strongly emphasized. No electric lighting company can long continue to serve its customers if its distribution system is not properly maintained. The best answer to such propaganda is the actual record of the plant, and the increased efficiency, as shown by the reduction in line losses.

The following set up as taken from the Manager's report, may be of interest to our citizens:

Inventory plant valuation	\$35,018.72
Increase inventory valuation, 1931	4,136.98
Number of customers, 1931	433
Increase in customers in 1931	73
Reduction of line losses and leakages, 1931	4.5%

Amount saved by reduction in line losses, 1931	\$547.50
Reduction of line losses since 1929	12%
Amount saved by reduction in line losses and leakage since 1929, approximately	\$4,930.00
Total Middleton labor, 1931	\$4,263.16
Middleton labor unemployment	\$680.25
Number of transformers in service, 1931	70
Number of poles in service, 1931	862
Number of foreign poles in service, 1931	93
Number of meters in service, 1931	376

During the year we have replaced approximately eight miles of wire, setting 93 poles most of which replaced poles used jointly with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company. The replacement of poles is necessary because of the fact that the greater part of our poles and distribution lines have been installed for more than fifteen years, the normal life of poles.

Your Electric Light Commissioners entered into a joint agreement with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for the custody of all poles held jointly. This greatly decreases the cost of pole maintenance. It is possible for the department to replace its own and joint poles at less than one-half the cost as charged by various companies.

We have reduced the number of attachments to foreign poles during the year, and have changed distribution lines to afford ample clearance, therefore decreasing the hazards to public safety.

In order to insure a continuity of service your department arranged for a breakdown connection with the Town of Danvers in the event of a failure of the normal supply.

At the present time this department has a stock room properly equipped and sufficient to meet the needs of the department.

In accordance with the vote of the Town, new light control street lighting equipment was installed in Middleton Square, which has proved to be very satisfactory, and improves the appearance of the Square.

We desire to take this opportunity to thank all who have contributed to the welfare of this department, as well as the citizens who are our customers, for their good will and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHIBALD L. JONES.

OTTO T. CURRIER.

RICHARD B. FLOYD.

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## Highway Department Report

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :

Gentlemen: The Highway Surveyor hereby submits a report for the year ending December 31, 1931. The following are the amounts spent in the various ways on the streets of Middleton :

Dragging	\$ 56 18
Scraping	1,238 78
Gravel	1,393 71
Ledge	4 50
Drainage	456 70
Brush	27 19
Patching, (gravel)	141 57
Patching (bituminus)	770 29
Surface treatment (oil)	968 95
Surface treatment (tar)	2,706 06
Town line signs	57 55
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	\$7,821 66

This includes the special appropriation of \$700 for gravel on Peabody Street and \$200 for surface treatment on Gregory Street.

The amounts spent by streets are as follows:

Boston Street	\$1,082 28
Central “	46 85
East “	1,228 56
Essex “	801 27
Forest “	798 68
Gregory “	304 19
Haswell Park	26 81
King Street	350 83
Lake “	200 00
Liberty “	592 06
Locust “	74 50
Log Bridge Road	4 78
Lowell Street	169 64
Maple “	706 35
Mill “	74 53
No. Main “	63 04
Peabody “	871 49*
Pleasant “	84 96
River “	196 63
School “	144 16
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	\$7,821 66

\* Includes special appropriations.

We have used new materials on some of our surface treatments, namely Socony Cut Back Asphalt, (used on Maple and Liberty Streets) and Socony No. 6 oil used on Lake, Essex and King Streets. They have both proven quite satisfactory and tend to give a more permanent surface in a very economical way.

I would call attention to the fact that the Department is now spending over one half of the total appropriation for streets or \$3,675.00 on oil and tar, and are faced with a growing demand from the townspeople to increase our surface treatments using oil or tar.

The bridge appropriation was used to replank the bridge over the brook on Peabody Street, also the bridge on Liberty Street and part of the bridge on Lake Street, near the sawmill.

The appropriation for fencing was used to construct new fences on Forest and Essex Streets. These were built of cable construction and provide a safety guard at dangerous points.

The sidewalk appropriation was used to widen and take out the sod on most of the gravel walks in town.

I am again grateful to the townspeople for their support and to the Massachusetts Department of Public Works for their co-operation this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. ROY OSBORNE, Highway Surveyor.

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## Police Department Report

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :

Gentlemen :

The Chief of Police submits herewith to your Board a report for the year ending December 31, 1931, together with recommendations as to the more important requirements of the department for the ensuing year.

For four months during the summer an officer was on duty every evening at the station. This service the men volunteered to donate in order that there would be an officer on call when most needed. A telephone was installed and many people made use of the service, especially summer residents who own property here. The reason for discontinuing this service was the lack of heat in the station.



The station was inspected by a State Board of Health doctor.

The department is still in need of equipment to carry on efficient work. The men have given their time and efforts (a great deal of it free) and I wish to thank them for their co-operation. I would recommend that at least three more special officers be added to the list so that it will not be necessary to borrow officers from adjoining towns.

An officer has been on duty every day at the school house by the request and expense of the school department.

#### WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT

Total number of arrests	56
Residents arrested	10
Non-residents arrested	46

#### Presented for the Following Crimes:

Driving under the influence of liquor	2
Driving without a license	2
Larceny in daytime	3
Drunk	18
Driving so as to endanger	2
Illegal manufacture and keeping	2
Extortion	2
Cruelty to children	4
Maintaining a nuisance	1
Common thief	1
Violation of town by-law	2
Liquor law	2
Fighting	2
Non-support	2
Motor vehicles	4
Non-payment of fine	1
Auto violation, (juvenile)	2
Escape from insane hospital	6



## POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

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Males	52
Females	4
Disposition of Cases :	
Not prossed	1
Filed	6
Fined	10
Committed to jail	8
Suspended sentence	14
Drunks fined	2
Drunks released	16
Miscellaneous Work :	
Complaints received and investigated	437
Automobile accidents	52
Automobiles transferred	31
Automobiles found and returned	6
Automobile licenses revoked	7
Dogs reported lost	6
Dogs found	19
Dogs returned to owners	9
Dogs killed and buried	10
Dogs reported hit by automobiles	16
Patients committed to hospital	1
Suicides	1
Police at court	116 days
Police with medical examiner	5 hours
Fatal automobile accidents	1
Investigations with registrar of motor vehicles	28 hours
Reports furnished to insurance companies	98
Officers with State police	64 hours
Writs served	73
Placing lanterns at dangerous places	12
Posting liquor notices	2
Raids	3

Liquor seized	98 gallons
Sick and disabled or stranded persons assisted	10
Traffic duty, approximately	750 hours
Police at inns on holidays	100 hours
Police at public dances	250 hours
Buildings found open	10
Disturbances suppressed	23
Fires extinguished without alarms	7

WILLIAM H. YOUNG,

Chief of Police.

## Sealer of Weights Report

	Adjusted	Sealed	Condensed
Platform, under 5,000 lbs.	—	1	—
Counter, under 100 lbs.	—	9	—
Beam, under 100 lbs.	—	3	—
Spring, over 100 lbs.	—	2	—
Spring, under 100 lbs.	—	11	1
Computing, under 100 lbs.	—	4	—
WEIGHTS:			
Avoirdupois	10	35	—
MEASURES:			
Liquid	—	21	—
Fuel baskets	—	1	—
Gasoline pumps	—	25	—
Kerosene	—	3	—
Quantity stops	—	122	—
Oil jars	—	30	—
Sealing fees collected		\$21.44	
Adjusting charges		1.30	
			\$22.74

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. YOUNG,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

## Report of the Board of Assessors

In spite of the continued inactivity in new building, Middleton has maintained a satisfactory increase in its valuation. On April 1, 1931, the total valuation, real estate and personal was \$1,959,101, an increase of \$115,351 over 1930. At the present time there are 1,049 persons or corporations assessed on property in Middleton, and the number of buildings classified as permanent residences are now 410.

It is a source of great satisfaction to your assessors to be able to announce a tax rate of \$23.20, a decrease of \$5.60 over the previous year. This was due in a large measure to decreased appropriations. The automobile excise tax on 508 cars registered in Middleton amounted to over \$3,600, a slight increase over 1930.

The assessors this year are asking for an increase of \$75 in their appropriation, to pay for services of a clerk. There are few citizens in this Town that appreciate the amount of clerical work necessary in the assessors' department. By careful record kept the past two years, it takes slightly over 176 hours of steady work to write up the assessors' books. The names, addresses and the amount of tax on property and automobiles, a total in 1931 of 1460 items has to be furnished to the tax collector in addition to the regular books. Since 1926, when the Town first began to appropriate \$600 for assessors' salaries the work has more than doubled, and we are therefore asking for this slight increase in appropriation.

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER F. CLAPP, Chairman.  
WILLIAM W. RICHARDSON.  
LYMAN S. WILKINS.

## Board of Selectmen Report

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Citizens of Middleton:

In conformity with general practice and custom, your Board of Selectmen submits for your approval a report of the activities of the Board for the year ending December 31, 1931.

It is fitting and proper at the outset of this report that we give expression of our appreciation for the help and co-operation of the various clubs, organizations and individuals who have contributed to the welfare of the unemployed.

The work of these societies and individuals is highly commendable and the Town is grateful for their continued co-operation.

Your Board has been active in obtaining work for the unemployed. We have appealed to County and State Departments in their behalf that relief might be forthcoming.

As this report is being written the Board in their appeal to the State Department of Conservation was fortunate in obtaining work for ten men.

It has been the policy of the Board to advise the use of the unemployed by the various municipal departments as much as possible. In common with every citizen, we view with abhorrence the adoption of a system destructive of self-reliance, initiative and ambition on the part of the citizen and the depletion of the assets of the Town without tangible return.

In submitting a résumé of the activities of the Board of Health for the year 1931, it is indeed gratifying to be able to report a decrease in the number of contagious diseases reported and a marked decrease in the number of Middleton patients at the Essex County Sanatorium. This situation is particularly gratifying in view of the usual effect of poor economic conditions upon the human being with its toll of malnutrition, lowered efficiency and increase in disease.

In view of the recent practice of disposing of rubbish along the streets and the creation of private dumps which are not only unsightly, but are a menace to Public Health, it is recommended that the Town acquire a suitable location, the same to be used as a Public Dump.

Among the Highway improvements that should receive serious consideration, and one in which your Board has been particularly interested, is the reconstruction of Boston Street.

We have made arrangements with the State Highway Commission for this project—one in which will involve a total expenditure of \$120,000.00 in three years and requiring but a small percentage of the total expenditure from the Town. This project is dependent on the County assuming their proportionate part.

It is impossible in a report of this character to enumerate in detail the improvements that have been made during the year. Among the improvements that are worthy of note are the macadamizing of all street crossings and the removal of the pole at the corner of South Main Street and Maple Street.

As a measure of Public Safety, these improvements were required of the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company at their own expense.

In our endeavor to give to the people of Middleton the advantage of another Public Utility, your Board investigated and interested several gas companies to make a survey of Middleton. The results of such surveys proved to be quite satisfactory.

It is our opinion that the townspeople will enjoy, in the not too distant future, the advantage of gas for heating and cooking purposes.

There are several drainage problems which will confront the Board in 1932. These conditions should be corrected and the correction of the same should involve no expense to the Town.

In conclusion of this report, we wish to be recorded as in favor of curtailment of unnecessary expenditures this year. Let us keep our taxes down to the lowest possible point, for by so doing we can be of no greater service to ourselves and to our Town.

During our term of office, we have conscientiously tried to do our duty. We have taken an oath to faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on ourselves as Selectmen according to the best of our abilities and understanding.

The conclusions rendered by the Board after conscientious consideration register the opinion of a majority of its members. No other course is possible under our system of Town government. We have implicit confidence that in the long run the results will reflect the wishes of a majority of the townspeople. They elect us to exercise all the capacity that we possess. By so doing, we shall merit and receive the approval of those we serve.

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHIBALD L. JONES.  
HARRY B. CROXFORD.  
GEORGE B. OGDEN.

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## Fire Department Report

To the Board of Selectmen :

I hereby submit a report for the Fire Department from May 10, 1931 to December 31, 1931.

On May 1st, we organized with sixteen men, including a chief, deputy chief and four lieutenants.

Our 2½ inch hose was tested at 180 pounds pressure to insure out of town apparatus hooking a pumper on.



During the 7 months we have had a total of 38 fires—30 forest, 5 building and 3 automobile fires, with a cost to the department of \$469.85. The estimated loss to buildings was \$6,975.00 and to automobiles, \$326.00.

We laid 2,000 feet of the 2½ inch hose. Danvers responded to 3 calls. North Reading was called once with no charge to the town.

Middleton responded to two out of town calls, one at North Reading and one in North Andover at the State Forest, with a cost to the town of \$61.60.

In three instances, if we had had a combination booster tank and pumper, the damage to buildings would have been much less.

With the co-operation of the Selectmen, we installed a hot water heater at the hose house which is a great benefit, because it makes it possible to keep the truck where it rightly belongs and also enables quick starting.

70 fuel oil permits and 701 fire permits were issued.

The following are a few suggestions which would be beneficial to the Fire Department :

1. The hose house is badly in need of repairs. It needs a new floor, and four pair of doors. Also a hose tower. The siren needs repairing.

2. There should be a small amount of money set aside for the prevention of forest fires. In looking through other town fire reports, I find that those having their forest patrolled during a dry period, seem to cut down fires considerable. The State Forester recommends a small appropriation set aside for this purpose.

3. The Town is badly in need of a combination pumper and booster tank. On the outskirts of the Town, this piece of apparatus is a necessity, whereas even in the center of the Town the hydrant pressure is very low, averaging about 55

pounds. There is hardly a building in Town that doesn't require at least 500 feet of hose to be laid, and with a friction loss of about 33 pounds to every 500 feet of hose, there isn't much pressure at the nozzle. Pressure is absolutely necessary to fight a fire successfully.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON N. SOPER,

Fire Chief and Forest Warden.

## Report of the Cattle Inspector

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen: We have 435 head of cattle in town and all seemed in good condition, but the Director of Animal Industry for the purpose of making a Tubucular test hereby declares the town of Middleton to be a quarantine area in which their probably will be found reactives as in all other herds which will have to be disposed of immediately for slaughter and all barns and stalls where cattle have been kept will have to be cleansed and disinfected in accordance with the rules of the animal industry and none but White Papered cows from accredited herds put back when milk is to be sold.

### SWINE

There are 700 in town. There has been one case of hog cholera but premises were immediately quarantined and all animals disposed of.

### DOGS

Have had three complaints where people were bitten but the dogs were immediately tied up for a term of (14) days. Nothing serious has happened, but such dogs have been liberated.

Submitted by

LYMAN C. WILKINS.







# ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

School Committee

Superintendent of Schools

AND

Yearly Statistics

OF THE

Grammar School

OF THE

Town of Middleton

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1931



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## School Department Report

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### School Committee

ETHEL M. STEWART	Term expires 1932
WAYNE A. GILES	Term expires 1933
ARTHUR E. CURTIS	Term expires 1934

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STEPHEN G. BEAN, Superintendent of Schools  
DR. ANDREW NICHOLS, School Physician  
MRS. M. E. ROUNDY, School Nurse  
WILLIAM H. YOUNG, Attendance Officer

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### TEACHING STAFF

MISS C. ALICE MANNING, Principal, Grade 7 and 8  
MISS MARGARET M. BERRY, Grades 5 and 6  
MISS FANNIE C. HINKLEY, Grades 3 and 4  
MISS MADELYN LAWRENCE, Grades 2 and 3  
MISS COLBERT, Grade 1  
MISS CAROLINE LITTLEFIELD, Coach Teacher

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MRS. H. JANE MARTIN, Sewing Supervisor  
MRS. GENIE F. KIMBALL, Music Supervisor  
MISS HELEN FARLEY, Drawing Supervisor  
ELI RICHARDSON, Janitor

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### NO SCHOOL SIGNAL

Two Rounds on Fire Whistle at 7.45 A. M.

## Superintendent's Report

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To the School Committee :

Madam and Gentlemen : I submit herewith my eighth annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

This year I have made the report in the form of a questionnaire, such as any interested citizen might put before those charged with the administration of the local school system. It is hoped by this method to put before the voters some very important information concerning the support and administration. This information is not often available without tedious research from sources not easily accessible.

### NUMERICAL INFORMATION

What is the population of Middleton?

1,712—according to the census of 1930.

What persons are required by law, to attend school?

All between ages of 7 and 16 years, but a child of 14 may leave, under certain conditions, to go to work, provided he has completed the sixth grade or its equivalent.

How many pupils were enrolled in the elementary schools?

201 were enrolled in school on October 1, 1931.

How many pupils attend Danvers High School?

56. The largest number for many years.

### ORGANIZATION

What is the form of organization of the Middleton Schools?

We are operating on what is known as the 8-4 plan.

This means 8 years in the elementary grades and 4 years in the High School or Vocational School.

Is this a modern type organization?

No. It is what is known by its opponents, as the traditional-meaning old-fashioned-type of organization. This distinguishes it from the 6-3-3 plan in vogue in places like

Danvers, where they have junior high schools, and divide the grades into six elementary, three junior high, and three senior high. There is also the 6-6 plan, wherein the division is into six elementary and six high school grades.

Would one of the more modern plans be desirable for Middleton?

No. No plan involving the support of a local high school would be economical as long as the high school enrollment remains less than 100 pupils. This, of course, provided we can continue to find accommodations for our high school pupils in towns not too distant from Middleton.

What is our method of promotion?

We promote annually on the basis of the child's ability to do the work in the next grade. When in the judgment of the teachers and superintendent it is for the child's best interest to repeat the work of any grade, we act accordingly. Double promotions are permitted in rare cases, and only when it seems unjust to the child to hold him to the pace of the average.

What subjects are required by law to be taught in the elementary grades?

Reading, writing, spelling, English language and grammar, geography, arithmetic, history and constitution of the United States, civics, physiology, and hygiene, physical education, drawing, and good behavior.

What additional subjects do we teach?

Music, manual training, sewing, and thrift.

They may have the full benefits of the course at Danvers High School, Essex County Agricultural School, or in the Vocational schools of nearby cities.

Is the town obliged to provide this vocational education?

Yes, according to the statutes of the Commonwealth. One-half of the cost of such tuition and transportation is borne by the state.

What provision is made for the special instruction of retarded children?

None, as yet, there being too small a number to make such a class an economical proposition. We do, however, have a class which gives special help to those children who do not seem to be able to keep pace with the regular classes in the school. These are grouped and given much more individual instruction than is possible in the large classes.

#### ADMINISTRATION

How many members has the School Committee?

Three, one being elected each year.

What are their powers?

Individually, none; collectively or by majority vote, they have absolute control, as representatives of the voters, over all questions relating to the conduct of the schools, not already covered by state law.

What are the duties of the School Committee?

It has entire control of the schools. It adopts the budget and determines how the appropriation shall be expended. It elects all school employees, examines and approves all changes in school organization, courses of study, and changes in textbooks. It authorizes all repairs and changes in the physical equipment of school buildings.

What are the duties of the Superintendent of Schools?

He is the advisory and executive officer employed by the Committee, as an expert, to carry out all plans and policies of the Committee. He acts for the Committee to make sure that the work of all its employees is carried on with promptness, efficiency, and economy. His duties are many more than these, but his general function is as stated. He is the first person who should be consulted on any question concerning any school activity. The Committee should only be asked to



act as a final court of appeal from his decisions, thus conserving the time and energy of this body.

How many persons are regularly employed by the School Committee?

1—Superintendent of Schools.

6—Teachers.

3—Supervisors.

1—Nurse.

1—School Physician.

1—Janitor.

1—Attendance Officer.

### BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT

Is the Center School meeting our needs as to capacity, physical conditions, and equipment?

In general the conditions are satisfactory for our present enrollment and distribution of pupils. Any marked increase, however, will make necessary a reorganization of the work. As it is now there is difficulty in fitting the large manual training classes into space necessarily restricted by the presence of class room furniture. We may eventually be forced to give up this type of education for lack of space in which to conduct it. It may be possible to make the basement room beneath the newer part of the building usable for this purpose. This will involve the solution of the problem of light and ventilation.

A notable addition to the building's equipment was accomplished by the teachers and pupils of the school. They have installed radio with individual loud speakers in three rooms used by the upper grades. This is but another evidence of the way in which this school unit keeps pace with the times.

## FINANCIAL FACTS

The following information comes from the report of the State Department of Education and is for the last complete *school* year ending June 30, 1931.

What was the amount spent for support of schools?  
\$22,086.79.

How much from local taxation?  
\$17,110.78.

Who paid the difference?  
Commonwealth \$4,976.01.

What for?

\$1,070.00—From income tax for teachers salaries.

312.87—From General Fund-Regulator state aid.

386.67—On salary and expenses of Superintendent.

1,840.47—On High School tuition.

1,366.00—On High School transportation.

What effect does this have on local cost of education?

It reduces it from \$91.65 per pupil to \$71.00, or about 22%. In other words the state pays 22% of the cost of education of each child in Middleton.

What is the cost per pupil for high school education?

\$127.62 for both tuition and transportation. One half of this is refunded by the Commonwealth. The net cost to the town is \$63.81.

Do these refunds effect the appropriation?

No. The money has to be appropriated and expended before it is refunded. The effect is on the tax rate. It is made much lower.

What does the \$1,070.00 from income tax "for teachers' salaries" mean?

This is a refund made to cities and towns to help pay teachers a just salary. It varies in amount with the salary,

training, and experience of the teachers; the amounts ranging from \$100.00, to \$200.00 per teacher.

Does the state also pay a part of the salary and expenses of the Superintendent of Schools?

Yes. Last year it paid \$386.67 of the \$756.08 paid to him, that is, more than half of the total.

Why does the state pay these sums?

To help equalize the educational opportunity for all children in the state, by helping the towns in proportion to their inability to pay. The richer the town, the less it is helped.

What is the annual cost of transportation within the town?  
\$4,000.00 for the elementary schools.

Do we have to pay this?

Yes. It is a legal requirement when demanded by parents of children living two miles or more from the school of attendance.

Could we do away with this expense?

Yes, by unanimous agreement of all entitled to this service.

What is the largest school expense?

Teachers' salaries.

\$8,050 in 1931 first year.

What is the average per teacher?

\$1,341.66, compared to a state average of \$1,702.00—25% below it.

What is the cost per pupil per day for teaching?

22c. per pupil-day.

How many would even take care of the average youngster at home for 22c. a day? We teach them also.

### GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

There are probably many other questions of interest concerning the operation of the local school system. I have tried to state and answer those questions most commonly asked of school officials.

A greater number than usual should read this report because it contains information which should be of special interest and importance in these times when expenditures are so carefully scrutinized. It is the writer's opinion that the expenditures of the school department will bare any examination with credit to the School Committee.

On pages which follow will be found tables showing the number and distribution in the grades of elementary school children of the town.

#### CONCLUSION

This year has as usual been marked by a spirit of helpful co-operation on the part of the School Committee and the teachers. Under such condtions a school system is bound to progress.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN G. BEAN,

Superintendent of Schools.

Wilmington, Mass., January 20, 1932.

Age and Grade Distribution, October 1, 1931

	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	T	UA	OA
I	8	15	6	2	1								32	8	3
II		8	9	4				1					22	8	1
III			4	8	6	1		1		1			21	4	3
IV				5	13	2	2	1		1	1		25	5	5
V				1	2	12	8	2					25	3	2
VI						3	13	9	4	2	2		33	3	8
VII							6	6	5	7	2	1	27	6	10
VIII									6	5	2	3	16	0	5
Total	8	23	19	20	22	18	29	20	15	16	7	4	201	37	37

Heavily leaded diagonals indicate age limits for the grades  
 UA indicates the number of children young for the grade  
 OA indicates the number of children old for the grade

**Table II**  
**Teacher Grade Distribution**

	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Tot.
Miss Colbert . .	32	6							38
Miss Lawrence .		15	19						34
Miss Hinckley .				23	14				37
Miss Berry . . .					11	27			38
Miss Littlefield . .		1	2	2		6	5		16
Miss Manning . .							22	16	38
Total . . . . .	32	22	21	25	25	33	27	16	201







TOWN WARRANT

AND

RECOMMENDATIONS

OF THE

FINANCE COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF MIDDLETON

MARCH, 1932

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PART III



## Town Warrant Meeting

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Essex, ss. To William H. Young, Constable for the Town of  
Middleton, in the County of Essex :

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you  
are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said  
Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to  
meet at the Town Hall in said Town, on

**Tuesday, the Fifteenth day of March Next**

at eight o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the  
following articles :

ARTICLE 1. To authorize the Selectmen to appoint such  
other Town Officers as are required to be chosen annually.

ARTICLE 2. To see what action the Town will take in  
defraying the Town expenses for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize  
the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow  
money in anticipation of the revenue of the current year, and  
expressly made payable therefrom by this vote.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the refund of dog taxes shall be  
transferred to the Library fund.

ARTICLE 5. To see what action the Town will take in regard to letting the Town Hall.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to share in the expense of any telephones installed in other than public buildings.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the transfer of the unexpended balance of the Electric Light Department of 1931 to the credit of the department of 1932, agreeable to the petition of the Electric Light Commission.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Electric Light Department to use the earnings of the department for the ensuing year, agreeable to the petition of the Electric Light Commission.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a constant current transformer, for street lighting, and appropriate the sum of \$425 to purchase the same, agreeable to the petition of the Electric Light Commission.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a new truck, with snow plough equipment, for use in the highway department, and appropriate the sum of \$1,100 for the same.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$7,500 for additional fire apparatus and repairs on the hose house.

ARTICLE 12. On petition of B. Gertrude Hayward and others, to see if the Town will vote to oil Mt. Vernon Street

from Maple to King Street, and appropriate money for that purpose.

ARTICLE 13. On petition of Eugene Pelletier and others, to see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to be expended for gravel and repairs on Park Avenue, Haswell Park.

ARTICLE 14. On petition of Maurice B. Webb and others, to see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money sufficient for gravel and repairs on Webb Street.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for a Reserve Fund in accordance with Section 6 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, to meet extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures. No transfer can be made from this fund except by a vote of the Finance Committee.

You are hereby required to notify and warn said qualified voters to meet at an adjourned meeting at the Town Hall, on Monday, March 21 next for the following purposes, viz :

To choose by ballot the following Town Officers for the ensuing year :

Moderator, Town Clerk, three Selectmen, one Assessor for three years, one member of Board of Public Welfare for three years and one for one year, one member of School Committee for three years, Highway Surveyor, two Trustees of Flint Public Library for three years, Constable, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, Superintendent of Burials, Custodian of Town Hall, one Water Commissioner for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, one Electric Light Commissioner for three years.

The polls will be open at 6.15 o'clock, A. M. and shall be closed at 5 o'clock, P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof, one at the Town Hall, one at the Center Post Office, and one at the store at Howe Station in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meetings.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with our doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this sixteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, nine hundred and thirty-two.

ARCHIBALD L. JONES,  
GEORGE B. OGDEN,  
HARRY B. CROXFORD,  
Selectmen of Middleton.

A true copy.

Attest: WILLIAM H. YOUNG, Constable.

## Recommendations of the Finance Committee For the Year 1932

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Selectmen	\$300 00
Town Treasurer	300 00
“ Clerk	200 00
“ Accountant	300 00
Tax Collector	400 00
Assessors call for \$675 00 ; recommend	600 00
Registrar of Voters	36 00
Moderator	25 00
Inspector of Slaughtering	25 00
“ “ Cattle	150 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	100 00
Constable call for \$35 00 ; recommend	10 00
Board of Public Welfare	100 00
Superintendent of Burials	15 00
Cemetery Commissioners	30 00
Custodian of Town Hall	500 00
Electric Light Commissioners	150 00
Town Counsel	250 00
Chief of Fire Department	15 00

### POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT

Police Department	\$1,000 00
Recommend that the officers on duty at School House, be paid out of this appropriation.	
Fire Department call for \$1,300 00 ; recommend	1,000 00
Salary of Firemen	55 00

### FORESTY DEPARTMENT

Tree Warden called for \$500 00 ; recommend	200 00
Moth department recommend	935 00



## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Highways	\$4,500 00
(Selectmen to be authorized to apply to State Highway Department for aid.	
Sidewalks—call for \$300 00 ; recommend	200 00
(Hard surface on same between Town Hall and Church)	
Fencing—call for \$200 00 ; recommend	100 00
Snow removal—call for \$900 00 ; recommend	800 00
Bridges—call for \$300 00 ; recommend	150 00

## EDUCATION

School including tuition transportation, Vocational education and transportation— call for \$27,000 00 ; recommend	\$26,000 00
Library	500 00

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health	\$1,000 00
Dental Clinic	260 00

## BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Relief (local, state and other towns)	\$6,000 00
Old Age Assistance	5,500 00

## UNCLASSIFIED

Town officers expense—call for \$900 00 ; recommend	\$700 00
Contingent fund—call for 1,000 00 ; recommend	800 00
Soldiers' relief	300 00
State aid	480 00
Insurance	1,484 85
Town Hall—call for \$900 00 ; recommend	700 00
Memorial Day	250 00
Interest	2,600 00
Municipal Indebtedness	2,000 00



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Street lighting, basis of present hours	2,000 00
Cemetery—call for 1,000 00; recommend	600 00
Essex Sanatorium	465 74

Article 1. Favorable action.

Article 2. Favorable action.

Article 3. Favorable action.

Article 4. Favorable action.

Article 5. Favorable action.

Article 6. Not recommended.

Article 7. Favorable action.

Article 8. Favorable action.

Article 9. Favorable action.

Article 10. Refer to (A) B) (C) (D).

Article 11. Recommend laid over for one year.

Article 12. Recommended to come out of Highway appropriation.

Article 13. Favorable action.

Article 14. Not recommended.

Article 15. Not recommended this year.

Article 10. (A) Recommend that the Town purchase a 2½ ton truck for highway and snow.

(B) Recommend that the charge of \$15.00 per day be charged to the department for which it is working, and said amount be taken from regular appropriation and turned over to the Town Treasurer.

(C) Recommend that the Highway Surveyor be put on a salary of \$600.00 and that he will not be allowed to use other than town equipment, except in case of emergency.

(D) Recommend that the Highway equipment be left in care of Highway surveyor, and the Selectmen reserve his right examine the same at any time, also if the driver of motive equipment should prove unsatisfactory he be replaced by a competent man, by order of the Selectmen.

## SPECIAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommend that hereafter all new graded and seeded lots in Oakdale Cemetery shall be sold from \$40.00 to 75.00 according to the amount spent on same. Cemetery Commissioners shall determine the price and money be turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Recommend that the sum of \$3.75 per \$100 be spent on all endowed lots per year, and the three Cemetery Commissioners paying out said sum of money, shall submit an itemized bill each month for the amount spent on said lots to the Town Treasurer.

Recommend some action be taken in regard to transportation by bus for the High school pupils.

W. P. EARLEY, Chairman

W. G. TURNBULL, Clerk

H. M. RICHARDSON

E. C. TOWNSEND

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